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Snow showers, High winds

High- 19°F

Overnight Low- 11°F

Information taken from weather.com

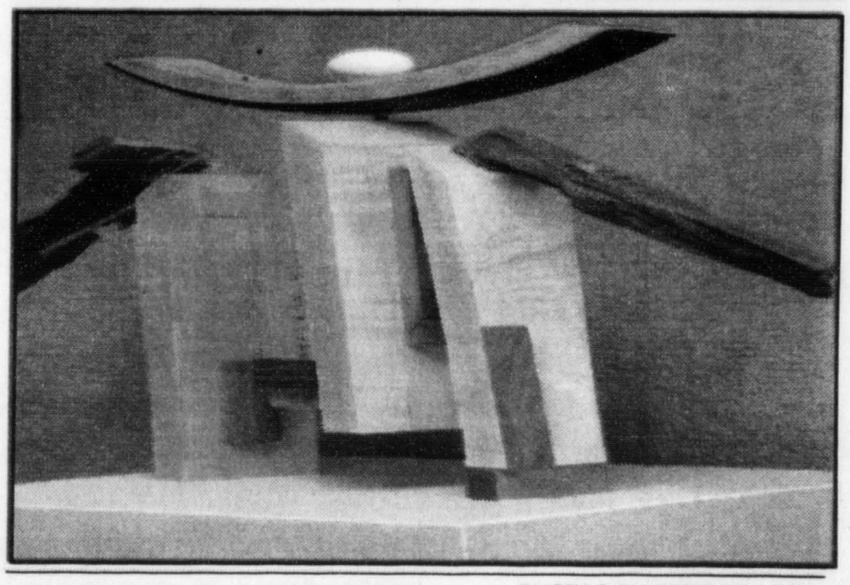
Local artist's masterpieces on display in Mansfield University library

"Luvon Sheppard: Artist, Educator and Community Leader" is on display at the Mansfield University Gallery. The exhibit will run through March 1 and is part of Mansfield University's celebration of Black History Month in February.

Sheppard is a professor of Art at Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT), where he has taught illustration and painting since 1972. He also founded the Luvon Sheppard Art Studio in Rochester. Sheppard's paintings often reflect his involvement in the local community. He has painted many Rochester area street scenes and portraits of prominent local African-Americans including Frederick Douglass and Garth Fagan. He founded the Allofus Art Workshop for children and has received various awards for his artwork and teaching.

A reception and artist's talk by Sheppard will take place on Thursday, Feb. 1 at 4 p.m. in the University Gallery. The Mansfield University Gallery is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in North Hall.

The exhibit is sponsored by the Mansfield University Art Acquisition and Exhibition Committee, which is funded by Mansfield University College Community Services Inc (CCSI).



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Mansfield University students and staff gather to honor legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Mansfield University held its annual campus celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy on Wednesday, Jan. 17. The theme of this year's celebration was "The Dream in the 21st Century: We've Come a Long Way to Be Here."

Robert Wooley, professor of Social work, Anthropology and Sociology, recounted his early exposure to racism and the changes he has seen in the south. He saw this in North Carolina in particular, since his visits to family as a child, to completing his graduate work and visits in recent summers to complete research on a book he is writing. Wooley concluded by saying, "I now see black men and white men greeting each other and shaking hands, which is revolutionary. We are far from perfect but we have come a long way."

Edward Washington, associate professor of English and Modern Languages, spoke about how he learned of the prejudice his parents faced when they moved from Virginia to Connecticut. He talked about the positive changes in his hometown and around the country and also about the work that remains to be done to fulfill Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy.

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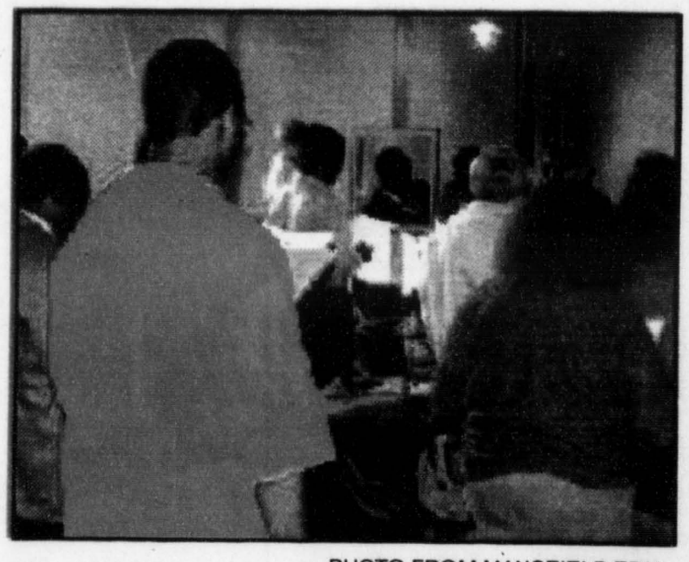

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Mansfield University students attended a gathering honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. last week.

Weekly Weather

TODAY

Snow showers, high winds

High: 19 Low: 3

FRIDAY

Snow showers

High: 19 Low:11

SATURDAY

Mostly cloudy

High: 35 Low:22

SUNDAY

Few snow showers

High: 32 Low:13

MONDAY

Partly cloudy

High:28 Low: 17

TUESDAY

Few snow showers

High: 27 Low: 16

WEDNESDAY

Mostly sunny

High: 31 Low:17

Information taken from www.weather.com

Police Beat

Dec. 1, 2006 - Possession of Paraphernalia and Disorderly Conduct - Patrick Eldridge, 22, was criminally charged with Possession of Drug Paraphernalia after police were called to the third floor of Maple A for odor of marijuana. Eldridge was also charged with Disorderly Conduct after causing a distubrance while officers were investigating the situation.

Jan. 12, 2007 - Theft - During Winter Break an unknown individual(s) gained access to room 208 A, Cedarcrest Manor and removed several items belong to the Mansfield University students who lived in that room. If anyone has any information about this incident, please contact Mansfield University Police at 662-4900. This incident is currently under investigation.

Jan. 15, 2007 - Theft - During Winter Break an unknown individual(s) gained access to room 207 A, Cedarcrest Manor and removed several items belong to the Mansfiield University student living there. This incident is currently under investigation. If anyone has any information about this incident, please contact Mansfield University Police.

Jan. 16, 2007 - Theft - A computer was taken from a student's room in Cedarcrest A side between the dates of Dec. 14, 2006 to Jan. 16, 2007. Anyone with information can call Mansfield University Police.

Jan. 19, 2007 - Receiving Stolen Property/Burglary - University Police Obtained and executed a search warrent on a silver Nissan Pathfinder while it was parked in the Mansfield University "C-2" parking lot. Numerous items were located within the vehicle which were stolen from a burglary which occurred at 48 Sherwood Street, apartment (in Mansfield Borough) on Jan. 18, 2007 at approximately 11:20 p.m. The investigation is continuing by both Mansfield University and Mansfield Borough Police.

Jan. 20, 2007 - Underage Consumption - Zach Gascon, 19, was cited for underage consumption, and possession after police were called for an odor of marijuana.

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

◆Southern Tioga Little League Board Meeting

Open meeting to include anyone from Mansfield, Blossburg or Liberty interested in the STLL. All board members, managers, coaches, parents and umpires are invited. No children allowed.

Sunday, Feb. 11 at 6pm at the Mansfield University Decker Gym-2nd Floor classroom.

◆Mansfield University Baseball Clinics

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Mansfield faculty sings through strings in recital

By REBECCA HAZEN
Flashlight Writer

Dr. Matthew Slotkin and Mr. Andrew Rammon were each presented in a faculty recital on Sunday, Jan. 21 at Mansfield University's Steadman Theatre.

Dr. Slotkin played guitar in a solo recital, and Mr. Rammon played cello with a piano accompanist.

A mixture of guitar pieces from different composers such as Juggler's Etude by Ralph Towner, Elegie by Johann Kaspar Mertz, and Sonata III by Manuel Ponce were played by Dr. Slotkin.

Dr. Slotkin chose many of his pieces mainly because he likes them but also because they are interesting. For example, the piece Elegie was originally written for a ten string guitar.

Dr. Slotkin feels that a lot of preparation goes into a solo recital. "Some of these pieces I have been playing for many years, others I have only worked on since last summer. I started putting this particular program together in the summer of 2006. I have to truly enjoy the music in order to work on the pieces for a long period of time," Slotkin said.

Dr. Slotkin is the director of guitar studies at Mansfield University. He has appeared at colleges and Universities throughout the United States and Canada. Recent performances included concerts in Athens Greece. His first CD, Twentieth Century Music for Guitar, was released by Centuar Records in 2003.

Mr. Rammon is the cello professor at Mansfield University. He is currently the cellist of the Grammy-nominated Eaken Piano Trio, and is also involved in the Williamsport Symphony. He has performed as a soloist and in chamber ensembles across U.S., Europe, Russia and Japan.

Pieces on the program for Mr. Rammon's cello recital included two Russian sonatas for cello and piano by Dmitri Shostakovitch and Sergei Rachmaninoff.

Mr. Rammon chose these pieces for their various styles. "There are sections of romantic beauty and others with sardonic bitterness. The sonata by Rachmaninoff is incredibly beautiful and very romantic," Rammon said.

Mr. Rammon also chose to play pieces from these composers because of their history. Shostakovitch once wrote a piece for which he was severely reprimanded by the soviet Government.

Practicing was the key to making the recital a success for Mr. Rammon. "We've played this recital a few times before. For the first performance we practiced many hours. It takes a long time to get to know a piece and to be comfortable playing together," Rammon said.

Mountaineer Leadership program produces first Gold level graduates

The Mountaineer Leadership Program (MLP) at Mansfield University has produced its first class of Gold graduates.

Ten Mansfield University students completed the highest level of leadership learning and were honored, along with Bronze and Silver graduates, at a reception on Nov. 28. The MLP, now in its second year, is designed to give students three tiers of leadership learning: Bronze, which focuses on personal leadership; Silver, which concentrates on leadership within teams and groups; and Gold, which develops change leadership.

As students complete a level, they move to the next. Each level requires students to complete six interactive workshops and a corresponding essay for each workshop. Workshops are facilitated by volunteers, including administration, staff, faculty and students.

"At the Gold level, each student must identify a leadership project of interest to them, find a mentor to guide them, and work through their project,"

Julia Overton-Healy, MLP director and director of the Mansfield University Career Development Center, said. "These projects are approved by the MLP Advisory Council, and they must be relatively broad in scope and challenging."

The first students to complete the Gold level are: Joshua Brown, Shauna Chisholm, Bobbie Jo Egresitz, Katie Gates, Damolla Hayward, Xernalia Kayode, Brittany McClain, Michelle Shaffer, Natalie Sheer and Dustin Wink.

Students who completed the Silver level are: Martha Harkleroad, Kaleigh Smales, and Daniel Swody.

Students who completed the Bronze level are: Brianna Alderfer, Billie Sue Atkinson, Jorge Azpilicueta, Shonna Barnett, Jeremy Bean, Tessa Bieber, Jessica Butler, Christyna Cain, Christina Cheri, Angel Clayberger, Kristi Coleman, Justine Dickinson, Tyler Donner, Colleen Gabriel, Linda House, Evan Jackson, Ashley Johnson, Nogaye Ka, Lauren McKay, Amanda Noll, Loren Piechnik, Kevin Risser, Andrew Shaal, Jason Smith, Cara Stroup, Maria Strzepek, Kelliann Walsh, Jonathan Watson, Stacy Wolfe, and Kimberly Zechman.

The MLP is managed through the Career Development Center. The program is free for the students, thanks to support from the Mansfield University Foundation, which allocated seed money for the program.

142nd fall commencement held in Decker Gymnasium; Loeschke presides over first Mansfield graduation

Three hundred and thirty students received degrees at Mansfield University's 142nd Commencement on Saturday, Dec. 16 in Decker Gymnasium. Before presenting them with their diplomas, President Maravene Loeschke, presiding over her first Gommencement, asked the graduates to think about their place in the world.

"I ask that sometime this weekend, that you sit quietly – reflect - and ask yourselves how you want the world to be better because you are in it," Loeschke said. "This uncertain world needs you, your leadership, your passion, your vision and your commitment. Go forward and serve."

Loeschke helped the graduates thank their families, friends, faculty and anyone else who assisted them in the pursuit of their degree with a round of applause. She also told them they will always be part of the Mansfield family.

"No matter whether a month from now or decades from now, we are here to support, mentor and guide you," she said. "Never hesitate to call a faculty member or staff member to seek guidance. Our commitment to you extends far beyond graduation."

William F. Schulz, former executive director of Amnesty International USA, was the speaker. In recounting stories of heroism and courage, Schulz echoed President Loeschke's sentiments.

PHOTO FROM MANSFIELD.EDU

Graduating senior Xernalia Kayode receives her diploma from President Loeschke.

"The world needs the kind of leaders that Mansfield graduates," he said. "The world needs you. The world needs people who speak a second language, both literally and metaphorically. People who reach out beyond their own narrow circle of family and friends, even beyond their community, to the larger world around us. People who live large, passionate, generous lives."

'MLK'

"Twenty years ago all states did not acknowledge that Dr. King was worthy of a holiday," Washington said. "But now we celebrate someone's philosophy of what it means to be an American. We have come a long way and, with Dr. King's dream in mind, we have the chance to go further."

Mansfield University President Maravene Loeschke concluded the celebration by reading an excerpt from Owen Collins' Speeches That Changed the World in which King talks about being stabbed by a deranged woman in New York City and the get well note he received from a white teenager that touched him deeply and may have been the genesis for his "I Have a Dream" speech.

The celebration also included Michael Pattillo singing "Precious Lord", Edward Wooten's rendition of Lean on Me, and the entire assembly singing Lift Every Voice, the anthem of the Civil Rights movement. Pattilllo and Wooten are both MU Music majors.

The event was coordinated and moderated by Jannis Floyd, associate professor of Education and Special Education, and sponsored by the President's Advisory Board for Diversity, the Office of Multicultural Affairs, the Human Resources Department and the Office of Student Life and Leadership Development.

Music department and campus women's groups host a unique performer at Steadman

Lauren Pelon, a master of unique and obscure instruments from across the centuries, will be bringing her unique brand of music to Steadman Theatre this weekend.

Pelon's concert, "Women In Music: People Will Remember Us" comes to Mansfield this Friday, January 26th, at 8 p.m. Instruments which Pelon will be using will include the lute, guitar, lyre, recorders, gemshorns, cornamuse, krummhorn, schreierpfeife, shawm, rackett, pennywhistles, consertina, ocarina, hurdy-gurdy, doucaine, Kiowa courting flute, and electronic woodwinds. She is also a vocalist.

A native of Minnesota, Lauren Pelon has traveled the world over to share her unique brand of music with others. Her shows are meant to entertain her audiences as well as educate them on the history of music throughout the centuries. Pelon states on her website that she is excited to bring her craft to the world to entertain and educate.

"I am fascinated by the interesting ways people of other cultures and different times have found to make music," says Pelon. "I especially enjoy doing these programs because they differ from ordinary concert performances. They offer not only an opportunity to listen to music, but also a way to think about how music has affected the lives of people all over the world -- from ancient times to our own modern day." Sponsoring the event on Friday night are the Mansfield University Music Department, the President's Commission on the Status of Women and the Women's Studies Program.

PHOTO FROM HOME.GCI.NET

Pelon is an award winning musical artist, winning the Artist of the Year award from the Southeastern Minnesota Arts Council. She was also a regular performer on Garrison Kellior's radio variety show A Prairie Home Companion from St. Paul, Minnesota. Reviews for Pelon's work have also been more than rave. Dr. William Kearns, the director of the American Music Research Center in Boulder, Colorado gave glowing remarks about Pelon's program on Pelon's website.

"Her repertory ran the historical gamut, from a rendition of one of our first ancient Greek scripted pieces to her own contemporary compositions," said Kearns. "Its breadth was amazing -- jigs, laments, fancies, songs, ballads, and calls drawn from different nationalities -- a truly universal presentation of both old-world and new-world music. I have never witnessed such an effective program of music and it's role in society done by a single person."

Pelon will be playing over 25 ancient instruments involving women in music and the world through the centuries. Admission to this show is free.

From pollution to music: Mansfield University Lecture Series for spring semester announced

The Mansfield University Lecture Series will cover topics ranging from pollution to poetry and music to environmental advocacy during the spring semester.

At 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 30, Azizur Molla, assistant professor of Social Work, Anthropology and Sociology, will make a presentation entitled "Effects of Water Quality on Incidence of Diarrhea in Rural Bangladesh" in Alumni Hall, Room 307.

The presentation is based on Molla's analysis of eight villages in Bangladesh that indicates that the use of contaminated pond water is related to the incidence of disease like diarrhea.

The presentation will focus on variables that are related to this finding and dimensions of culture and practice related to the incidence of disease.

At 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13, in Alumni Hall, Room 307 a "Musical Showcase" will be held. Music Professor Joe Murphy and Director of Guitar Studies Matt Slotkin will perform Les Trios Soeurs, a piece written for them by Charles Stolte. Assistant Professor David B. Wetzel and members of the Mansfield University Clarinet Consort will discuss their recent trip to Scotland and perform a short set of selections from the tour. Professor Peggy Dettwiler and members of the Mansfield Concert Choir will make a presentation on their performance at the Inaugural Conference of the National Collegiate Choral Organization in San Antonio, Texas last November.

"Reversing the Decline of the Eastern Bluebird; What Can You Do" will be the topic of a presentation at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 20, in Alumni Hall, Room 307. Leslie Clifford, assistant professor of Biology, and student Lauren Boeckel will discuss the findings of their faculty-student research project.

At 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 27, in Alumni Hall, Room 317, Judith Sornberger, professor of English and Modern Languages, and student Bobbi Jo Van Druff will present "Madonnas of the Disappeared: Poems in response to works of art that examine the sacred feminine as exemplified in Mary of Nazareth, revealing Mary as both flesh and blood woman and icon."

The film Land of Plenty, Land of Want will be shown at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, March 7, in Allen Hall Auditorium. After the screening, Nicole Wilson, instructor in Academic and Human Development will facilitate a discussion of the film. The film, from the PBS "Journey to Planet Earth" series, investigates the fundamental problem facing today's farmers and how to feed the world's growing population without endangering the environment.

"Environmental Advocacy: Act locally!" will be the topic of a presentation at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, March 28, in Alumni Hall, room 307. Panelists Jim Weaver, Tioga County planner, Robert Ross, research ecologist with the U.S. Geological Survey, Paul Ortuba, Riverkeepers, Jennifer Demchak, Watershed Management, and members of the Mansfield University Geography and Geology department will present information on a variety of environmental issues and projects in the Northern Tier. A discussion will follow.

Also on March 28, musical storyteller Jennifer Armstrong will present Four Cinderellas at 7 p.m. in Straughn Hall. In this performance, Armstrong tells four very different versions of the Cinderella story using a different instrument--frame drum, fiddle, bagpipe and banjo--in each.

"Teacher Research in Beginning Teachers' Classrooms" will be the subject of a presentation at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10, in Alumni Hall, Room 307. Associate Professor of Education Kathleen Carico and students Bobbi Button, Belinda Houghtalen-Barnes and Karin Knaus will present the findings of their project which focused on tracking and assisting beginning teachers' attempts to conduct teacher research projects in their public school classrooms.

At 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25 the film Blue Vinyl will be shown in Allen Hall auditorium. Holly Pieper, assistant professor of Communication, and Anthony Kiessling, assistant professor of Chemistry, will facilitate a discussion of the film after the screening. In Blue Vinyl, Peabody Award-winning filmmaker Judith Helfand and co-director Daniel B. Gold travel from Helfand's hometown to America's vinyl manufacturing capital and beyond in search of answers about the nature of polyvinyl chloride (PVC).

All events are free and open to the public. The University Lecture Series is sponsored by the Office of the Provost.

Mansfield University Event Calendar

Thursday, Jan. 25

Music: Annual Student Solo Competition - 6 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 26

Women's Studies Event: Lauren Pelon Musique Company recital in Steadman Theatre - 8 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 27

Sunday, Jan. 28

Dr. Robert Miller - Guest Piano Concert
3 p.m., Steadman Theatre

Monday, Jan. 29

Tuesday, Jan. 30

Faculty Lecture Series- Dr. Azizur Molla
5-6 p.m., AHSC

Wednesday, Jan. 31

Thursday, Feb. 1

—What in the World— News in a Flash

By ANDREW OSTROSKI
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WORLD NEWS

JERUSALEM, Israel- Israeli President Moshe Katsav is on the verge of being charged with raping his former employees. The Israeli attorney general's office has declared that there is finally enough evidence to file formal charges against the President. Other charges, including abuse of power, are also anticipated to be levied. The earliest of the charges stem from a woman who worked with Katsav in the ministry of tourism in the late 1990s. The most recent accusations come from 2003-04, when another former employee alleges that Katsav improperly used his power during his presidency. Charges of obstruction of justice and harassing witnesses are also expected. While the presidency is mostly a ceremonial position in Israel's government system, it has been recommended that Katsav step down from his position.

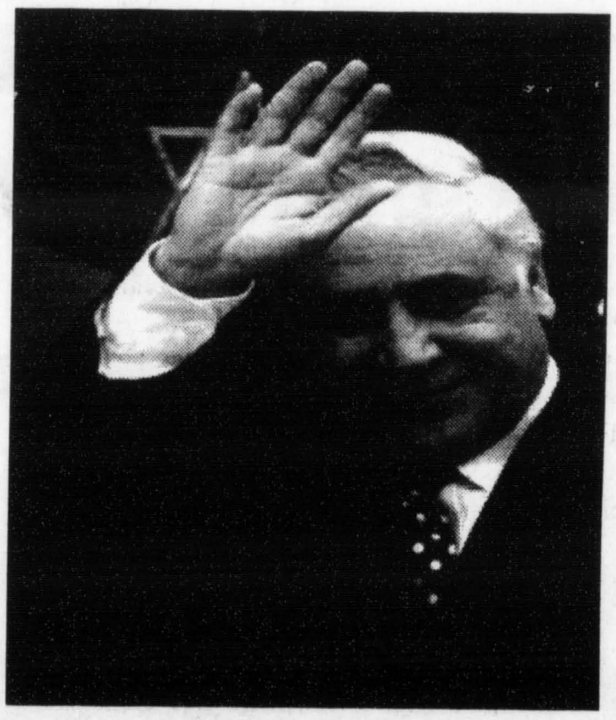

PHOTO FROM INTERET-GENERAL.INFO
Israeli President Moshe Katsav faces a possible prison sentence if he is convicted.

ISTANBUL, Turkey- Thousands of Turks mourned the death of Turk-Armenian journalist Hrant Dink, an editor who sought to end hostilities between Muslim Turks and Christian Armenians. Dink was shot to death in the front of his newspaper office in Istanbul last week. Seven people, including a 17-year-old boy who allegedly confessed to the killing, are being held in connection with the slaying. One of those individuals being held is also a nationalist militant who is accused of bombing a McDonalds in 2004. Thousands of protesters and mourners took to the streets on the day of Dink's funeral and, despite cries against it from Dink's family, turned the event into a mild protest. Dink was interred in an Armenian cemetery in Istanbul.

SAN FRANCISCO, California- Eight former radicals were arrested in the 1971 attack on a San Francisco police precinct that resulted in the death of a police officer. 51-year-old John V. Young, a sergeant with the San Francisco police department, was shot to death by members of the Black Liberation Army, a violent faction of the Black Panthers. Several of the accused were already in prison for various other crimes. The Young case was reopened in 1999 after advances in forensic science made it possible to investigate the case more closely.

LOCAL NEWS

ELMIRA, New York- The new budget for the city of Elmira has been passed, and taxes for city residents will be raised. The city, which is at a $2.5 million deficit, will be raising the local property tax by 7.5%. The budget was passed unanimously by the city council for the first time in several years, and this is also the earliest that the budget has been approved. The accepted budget is exactly the same as the one suggested to the council by city manager John Burin.

LYCOMING COUNTY, Pennsylvania- The Lycoming County library system is participating in a national literature program focusing on "To Kill A Mockingbird" by Harper Lee. The program is financed and sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts, and participating boroughs will receive $10,000 and teaching materials and books. Book discussions, read-ins, a viewing of the film starring Gregory Peck, and the playing of Elmer Bernstein's score from the film will be included in the events.

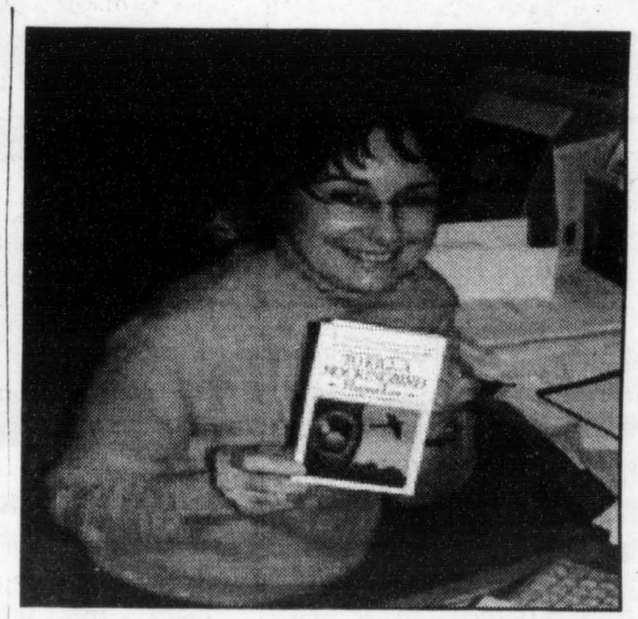

PHOTO FROM SUNGAZETTE.COM
Janice Trapp, Lycoming County's library executive director, will help teach "Mockingbird".

Information taken from cnn.com, sungazette.com, and wetmtv.com.

New bill passes in House of Representatives that would cut student loan interest rates in half

By LAURA HALL
AND DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Writers

The House of Representatives passed a bill to cut interest rates on subsidized student loans over the course of the next five years.

The Democrats College Student Relief Act of 2007 was passed on Jan. 17. Democrats promised the loan cuts while campaigning and began to implement their pledge of passing six bills within a 100-hour time constraint.

Senator Edward M. Kennedy chairs the committee on education issues. "We must address the crisis in college affordability that affects every low- and middle-income family," Kennedy said.

The bill will cut interest rates from 6.8 percent to 3.4 percent. The rates will drop beginning July 1 and will gradually decrease by .68 percent each year. There is no extra cost to taxpayers. Banks will have to pay more in fees and annual fees for consolidated loans will rise to 1.30 percent.

According to MSNBC, "to avoid increasing the deficit, the bill's cost will be offset by reducing the yield on college loans the government guarantees to lenders and cutting the guaranteed return banks get when students default."

The Bush Administration and some republicans oppose the bill because they believe democrats fulfilled their promise quickly rather than "finding ways to increase federal college grants to help the poor meet rising college tuition."(CNN.com).

Representative Ron Bishop is a republican from Utah. "It is a whoop-de-doo bill, but to be honest, what it does for my kids in college is nothing. It could have done so much more," Bishop said.

When the democrats campaigned, they did not reveal that the loan cut would only affect need-based loans. They made a promise to lower interest rates for parents who withdrew college loans for their children.

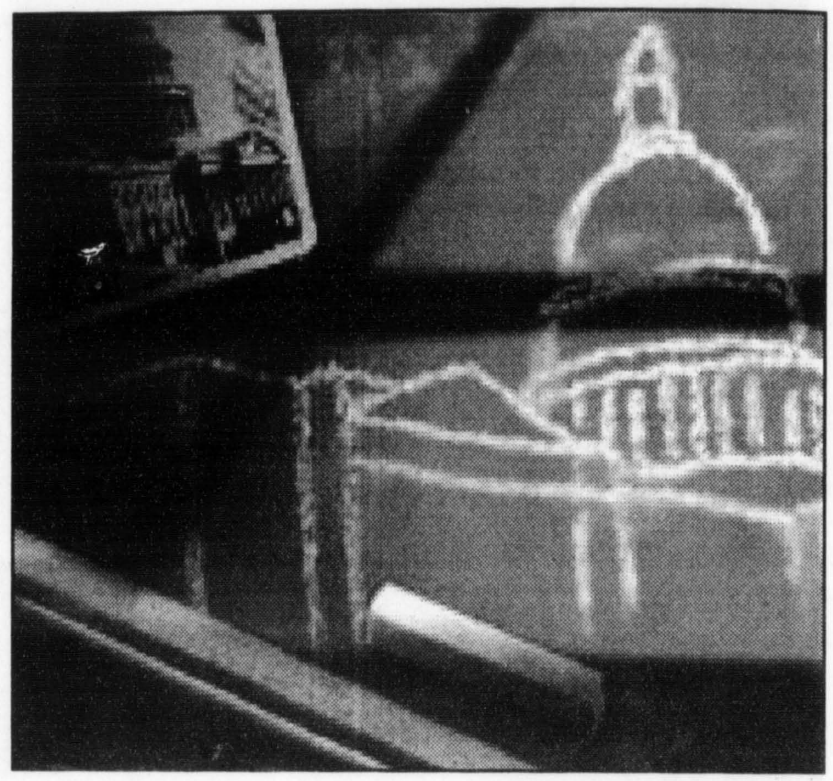

PHOTO FROM WWW.CNN.COM
The House of Representatives passed a bill that would cut the interest rate in half.

College students can download music free thanks to new service from Ruckus Networks website

By BRITTANY SERAFINI
Flashlight Features Co-Editor

College students will no longer have to worry about paying for music downloads or being sued for pirating a few of their favorite songs thanks to a new service called Ruckus Networks.

Ruckus Network will be supported entirely by advertising on its website and the software that is installed to download music. According to the New York Times, four major music labels and several independent labels have agreed to permit usage of their music on Ruckus at "lower rates than they charge other mass market music services" in an attempt to curb music piracy.

The music labels theory that spurred them to make this decision was that students would rather steal music than pay "$10 or $15 a month" that many other legal downloading services charge.

Initially, Ruckus had hoped that universities would pay fees which would allow students free downloads. But when only 20 agreed, they had to re-consider how something like this was going to work.

PHOTO FROM WWW.RUCKUS.COM
Ruckus Network is offering a free music downloading service to college students as long as they have an e-mail address ending in .edu.

In 2006, Ruckus switched their medium to a free advertising supported approach; however, this still required the agreement of the university to install the service on their campus networks. According to Michael J. Bebel, chief executive of Ruckus, this tactic increased the number to around 100 schools "with several hundred thousand active users."

The new service does not require a university's participation or consent; instead, it will be available to those students who have an email address ending in .edu, which is the main domain for educational institutions.

Considering that many faculty and alumni also have email address that end in .edu, Ruckus will ask the user whether he or she is a student. If not, then the user must $8.95 per month for the service.

According to the New York Times, Ruckus uses Microsoft's Windows media technology, meaning that it can only be used on one's personal computer. For a small fee ($4.99 a month), users can transfer songs to portable devices compatible with this technology, but the music will not play on either Microsoft's Zune or the Apple iPod.

Regardless of not being able to use the iPod, about 60 percent of the students on the campuses that offer Ruckus have registered for it, according to Bebel.

"Even iPod users on campus will use Ruckus because they can find music they like before they buy it from Apple or get it another way," Bebel said.

Movie review: "Children of Men" touches on many contemporary issues in society

By MIKE LENGEL
Flashlight Writer

Released on Jan. 5, Alfonso Cuaron's adapted film "Children of Men" depicts the world in 2027 - a social terrorist infested war haven where Britain is the only remaining peaceful land mass on Earth.

As women have become infertile over time, there has not been a birth on the planet since 2009, making the youngest person on the planet 18-years-old.

In the opening scene of the movie, the audience learns of his death, already suggesting something thrown off in the human life cycle - the youngest dying off first, rather than the elderly.

The main character, Theo (Clive Owen) uses this as an excuse to skip work and is kidnapped on his way home after visiting his friend Jasper (Michael Caine).

He is kidnapped by the terrorist group "The Fishes" who's leader is Julian Taylor (Julianne Moore), whom Theo previously had a relationship with.

Julian explains that she needs Theo to get transit papers for her in order for them to smuggle Kee, an illegal immigrant, out of the country. After Julian's surprising death in an intense attack scene which resembles that of the opening scene of "Saving Private Ryan," Theo is left to finish the task which she started, but soon learns the catch - Kee is 8 months pregnant.

The landscape in the movie provides a very realistic view into the near future setting, much like the present, but with a few advancements. Including the attack in the car and the film's final epic battle, the audience can expect to feel as if they're standing right beside Theo in the whole film. Cameraman George Richmond shot the entire film in 16 weeks with a handheld camera. The film is adapted from the P.D. James 1993 novel of the same title.

PHOTO FROM WWW.MSNBC.MSN.COM
"Children of Men" was nominated for three Academy Awards including Best Achievement in Editing, Best Achievement in Cinematography and Best Writing, Screnplay based on Material Previously Produced or Published.

While the entire film suggests the inevitable end of mankind thanks to societal corruption (hence the terrorist groups), it also suggests religion as a savior to humanity with Kee playing the part of the Virgin Mary.

An art critic would notice the Picasso paintings splashed throughout the scenery, also suggesting social corruption. Literature critics will notice the Shakesperian influence of the movie beginning with a death, much like that of "Titus Andronicus" and "All's Well That Ends Well."

"Children of Men" is a thought provoking, relevant yet interesting, action packed and important film that touches on a lot of contemporary issues that affect people of all ages.

Game Review: "Lost Planet: Extreme Condition": Graphics, mutiplayer mode make game stand out

By TOBY MOTYKA
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During the first couple months following the holiday season, gamers usually find themselves dusting off their old games. January and February see very few new releases, and the games that do get released are rarely of a very high quality.

While many Xbox 360 players still happily have "Gears of War" burning in their disc drive, those looking for a new fix will be happy to know that "Lost Planet: Extreme Condition" should do more than enough to keep you occupied until the releases heat up again in March.

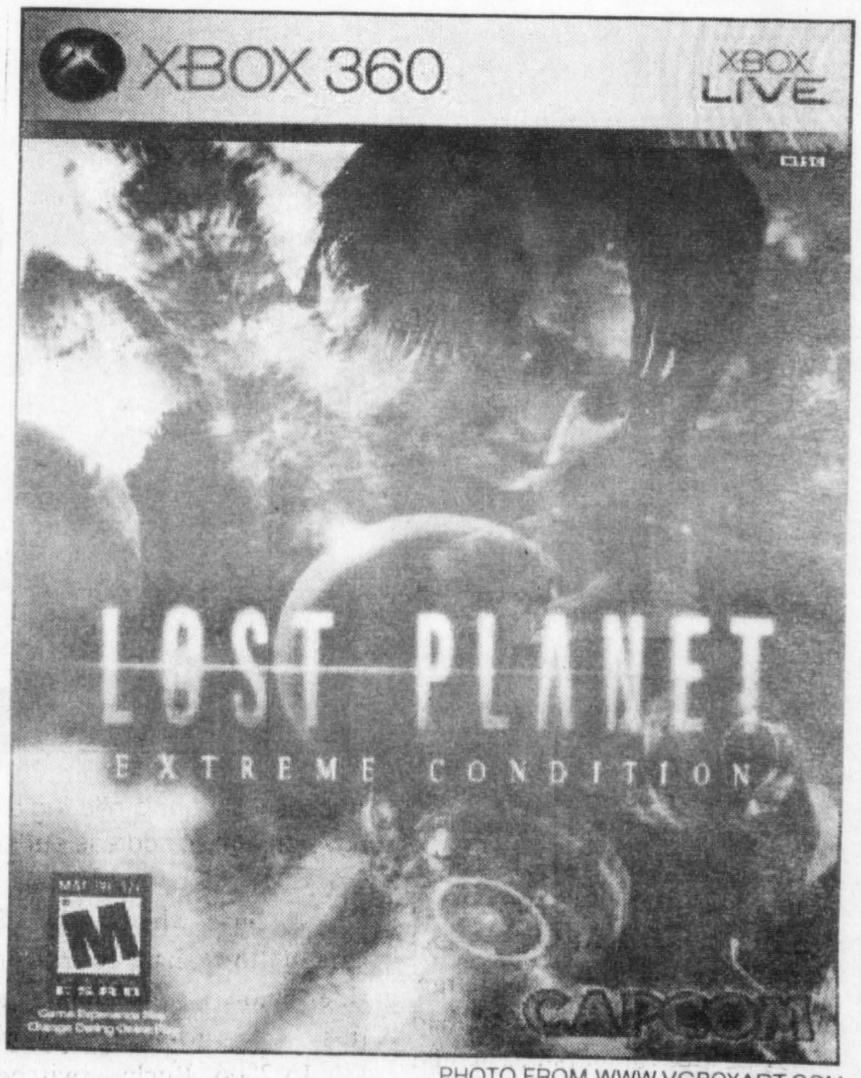
The game's single player mode contains a story. That's really all there is to say about it. It doesn't provide you with very much background information on the characters, and really doesn't make sense at all. I couldn't tell you the full extent of the story because halfway through the game I just started skipping the cut-scenes.

What lies beyond the cut-scenes though is sure to make action gamers happy. You are dropped into a cold, icy world, where snow pirates, giant robots and dinosaur-sized insects reign supreme. Each battle you encounter is intense. The game does an impressive job of making it feel like the odds are never remotely in your favor. The boss battles are some of the most exhilarating I've ever encountered. Chances are you will die at least once, but the motivation is always there to go back and try again.

The single player mode will take roughly ten hours to beat, but is worth playing through again to try to find all of the secrets. When you're done with the main story, jump online with some buddies and wreak some havoc. The game contains one of the more diverse multiplayer modes on the 360, and should keep you playing deep into the night.

Graphically, "Lost Planet" is impressive, with only repetitive environments keeping it from looking truly masterful. All of the enemies are detailed with fluid movements, and environmental effects all look great. The sound as well is very good, but there's not as much music as I would have liked.

Overall, I would rate lost planet an 8.5 out of 10. Intense boss battles, great graphics and a fun multiplayer are offset only slightly by some slow controls and a storyline surpassed by the likes of Tetris. If you're looking for something new to last you the next couple of months, you need not look further than "Lost Planet".



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The game's main character Wayne is out to avenge his father's death while eliminating a hostile alien species.

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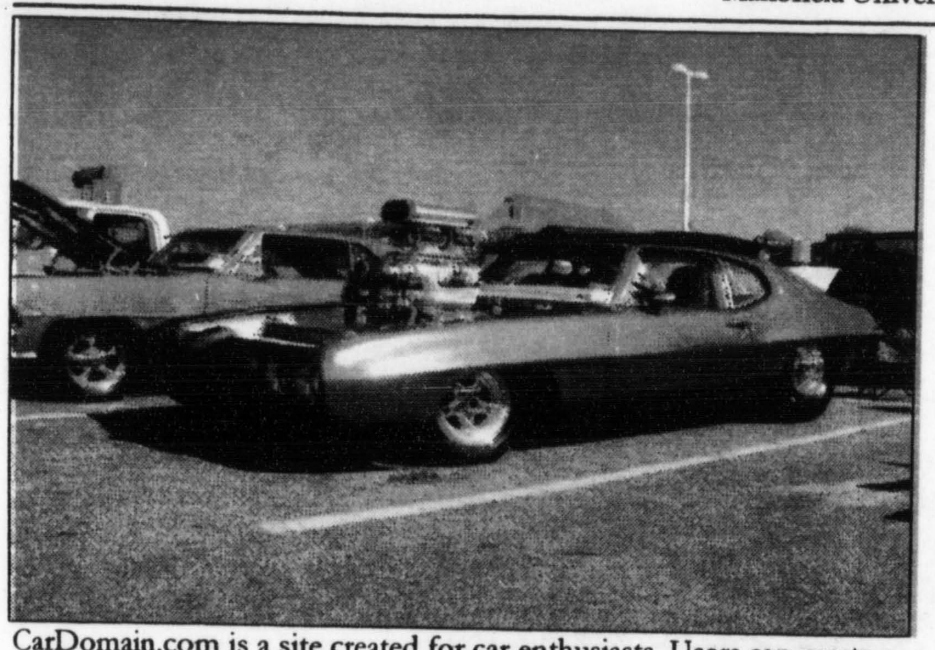

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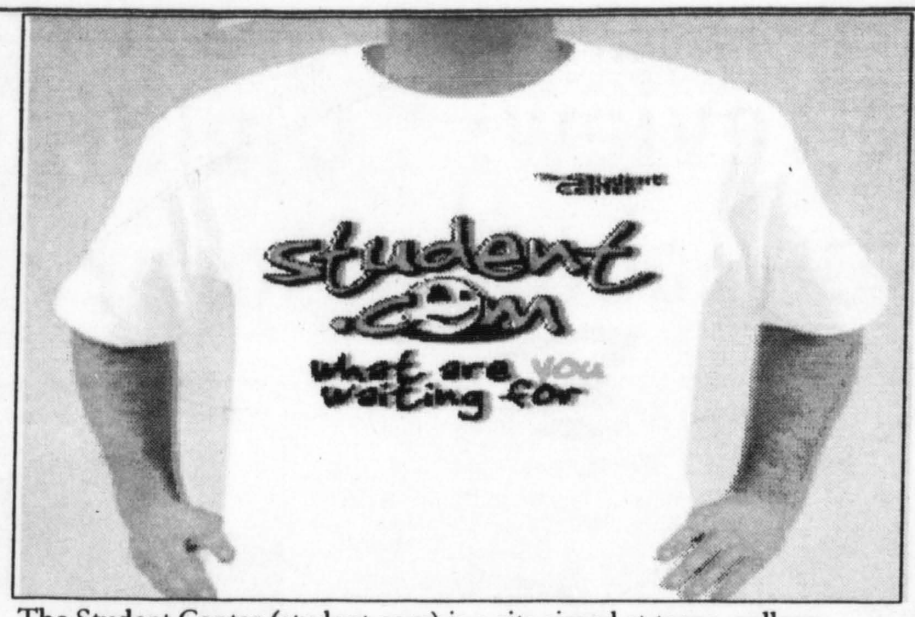
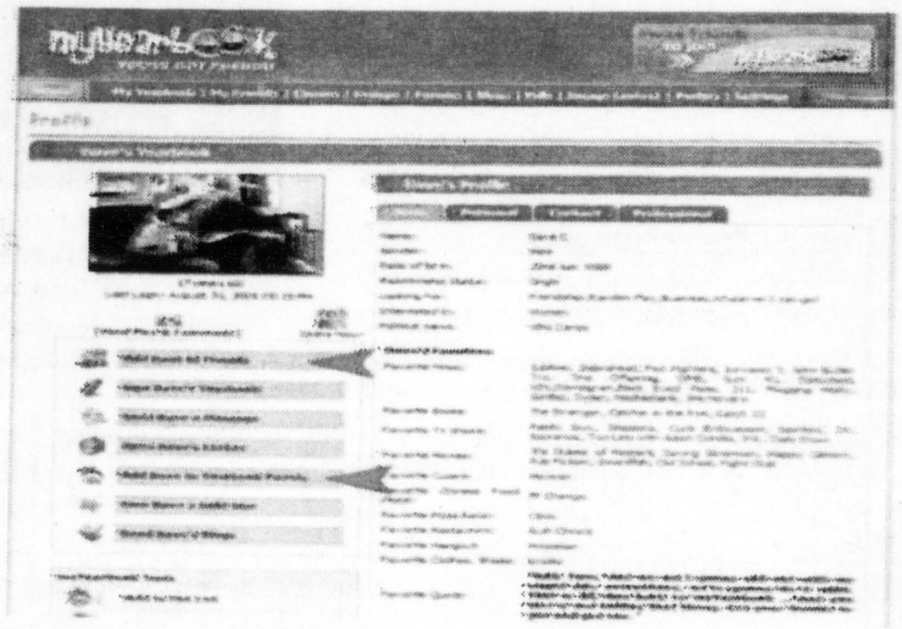
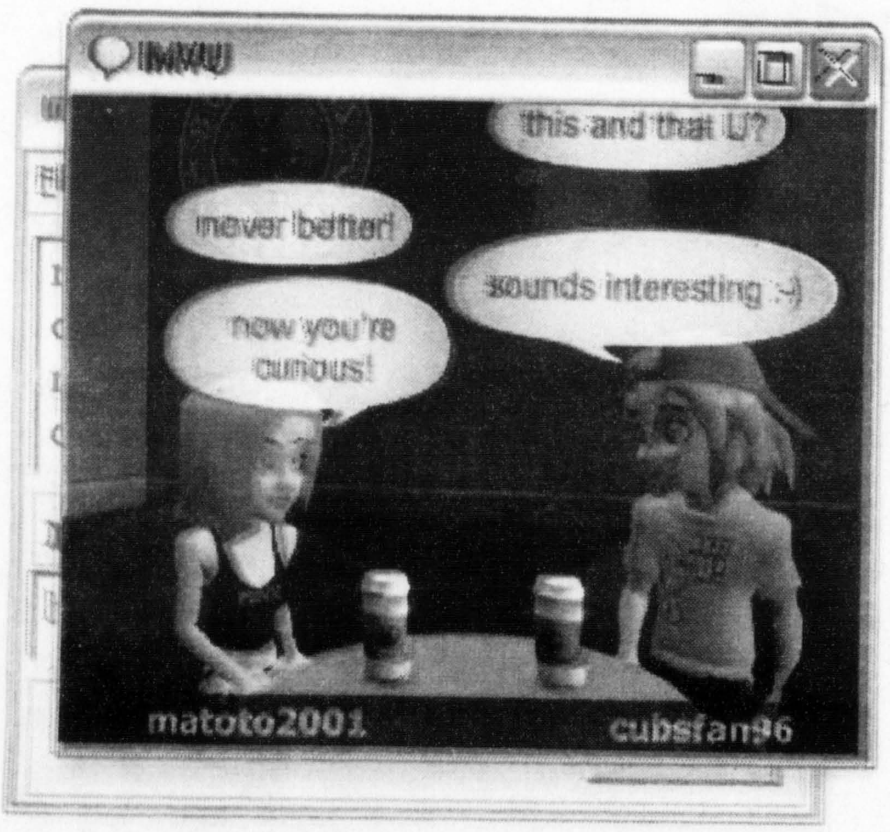


The Student Center (student.com) is a site aimed at teens, college students and young adults. Much like Myspace, users on student.com create profiles. The site also has forums where users can talk about everything from pets to advice and sexuality.

Dodgeball.com is a unique social networking website created by New York University students for mobile phone users. Users can text message where they are to the website and it can send text messages to all their friends with the location. Users can also add members they have crushes on and who will also receive the messages. So far, dodgeball.com is only available in 22 cities across the United States.



MyYearbook.com is much like Myspace and Facebook. Created by two high school students, myYearbook.com allows users to "flirt" and it has a function called secret admirer where users can keep track of their crushes. There is also a feature called the locker where users can upload audio and video to share with classmates and friends on the website.



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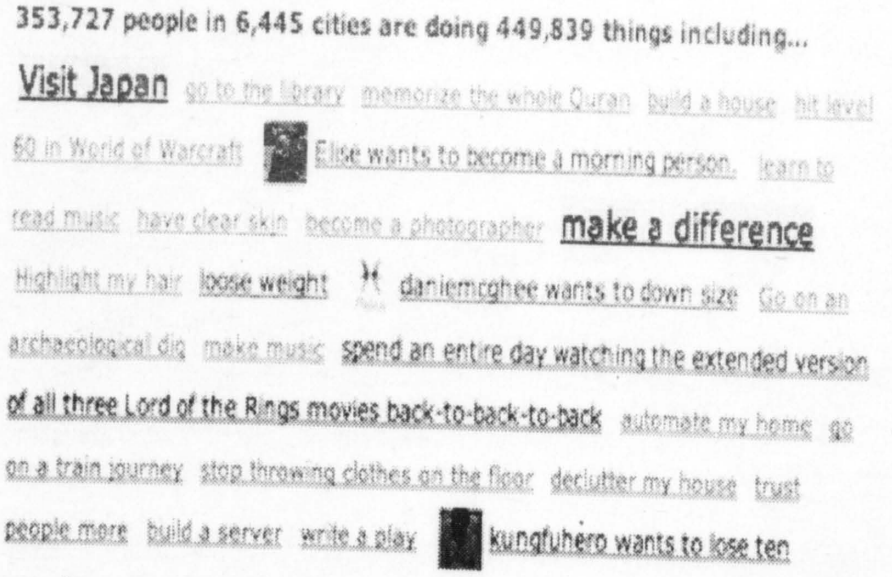
IMVU.com is a site that may be the future of instant messaging. Users can create a profile and download the program which allows them to use 3D instant messaging. While still in the Beta process, IMVU.com allows users to create their own 3D avatar with a unique look featuring over 100,000s of clothes, hairstyles and accesories.



Another site, 43things.com, is built on the premise of tagging. Users create a profile and list goals and hopes. The site then connects to other people's goals that are similar to the user's. The site can document the user's success in achieving that goal as well as help he/she make progress. The site is funded by Amazon.com and free to everyone.

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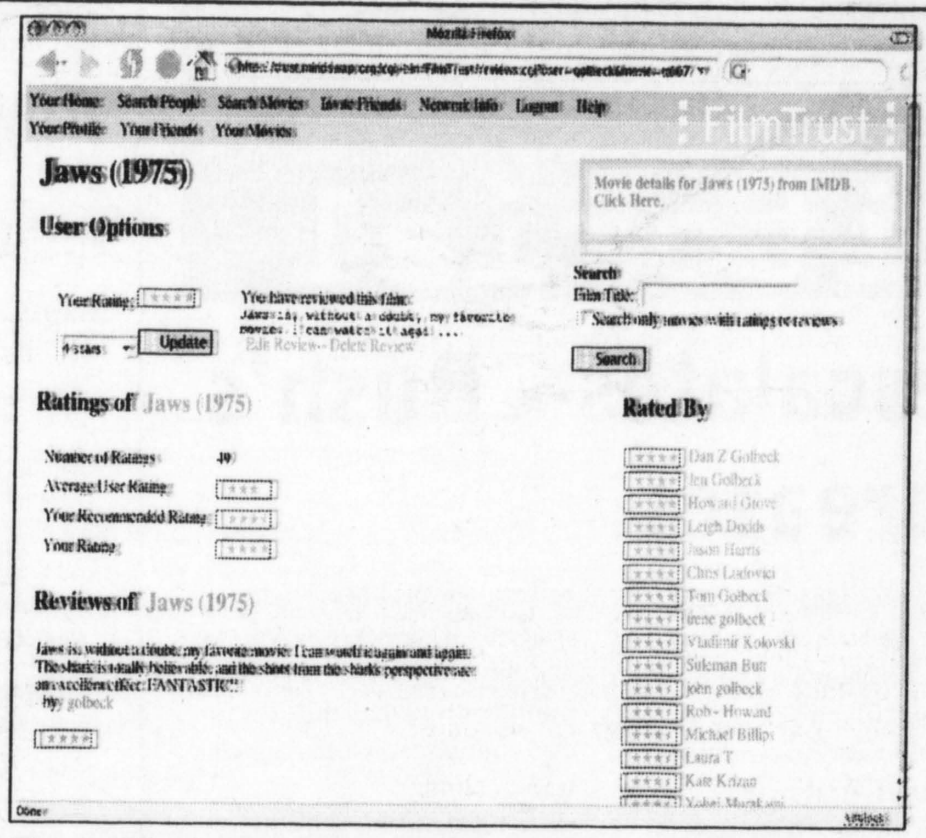
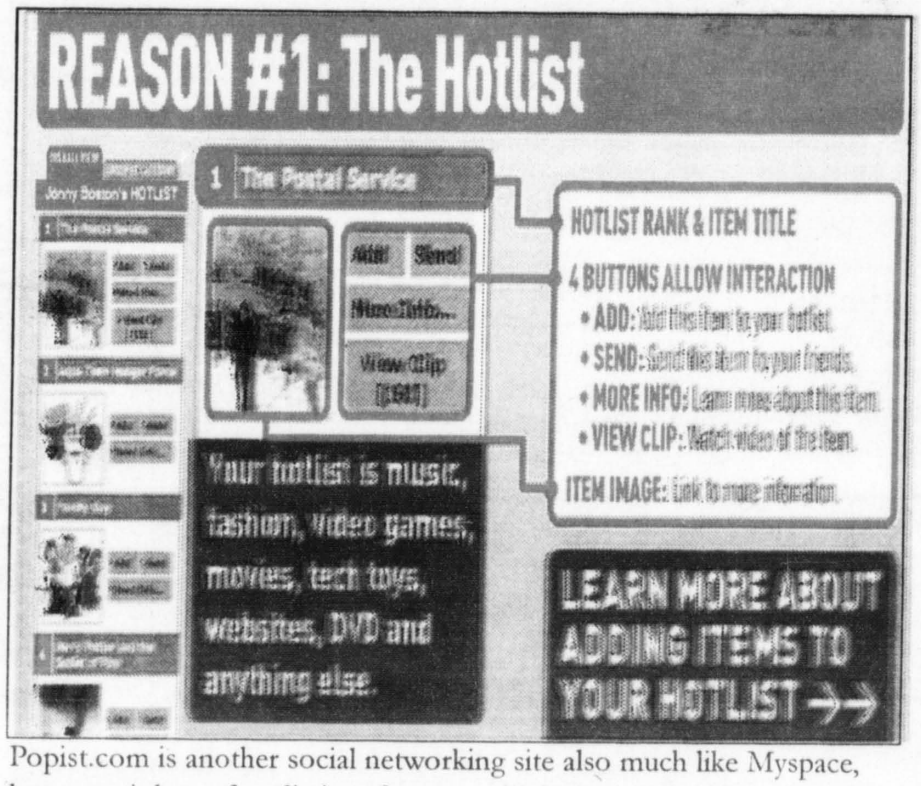
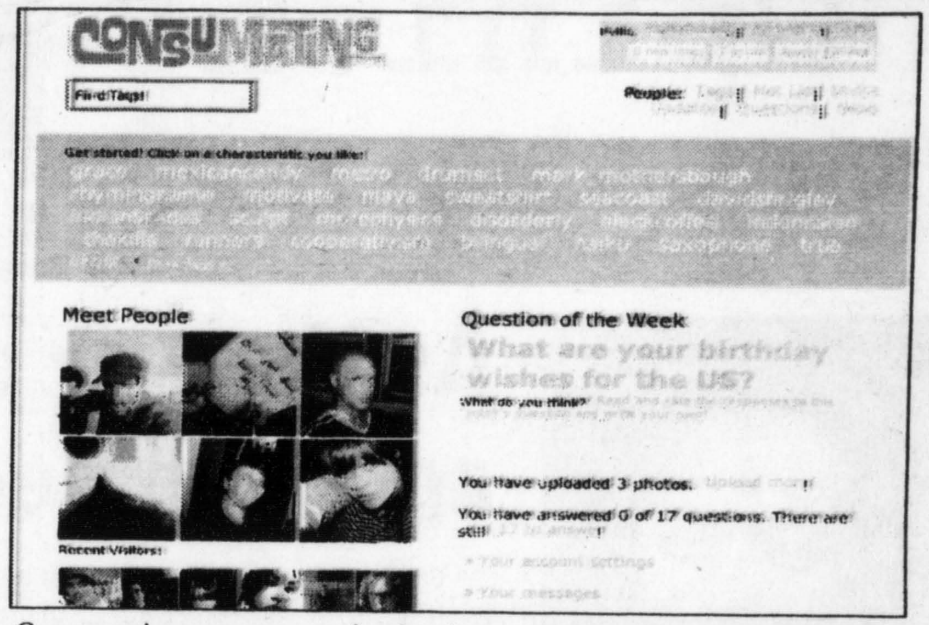


The site FilmTrust combines social networking and movie ratings. Users can read about, rate movies and write reviews. They can also have a list of friends as well as rate how much they trust each other's opinions on movies.

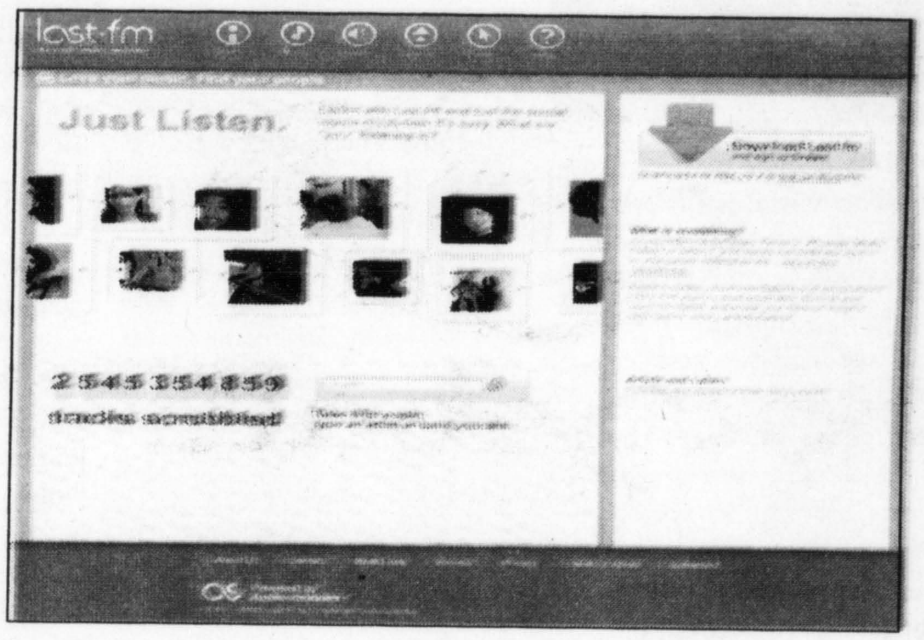


Popist.com is another social networking site also much like Myspace, however, it has a few distinct features which set it apart from Myspace. On Popist users can start trends, get ranked on their tastes and earn buzz for setting trends along with many more features.

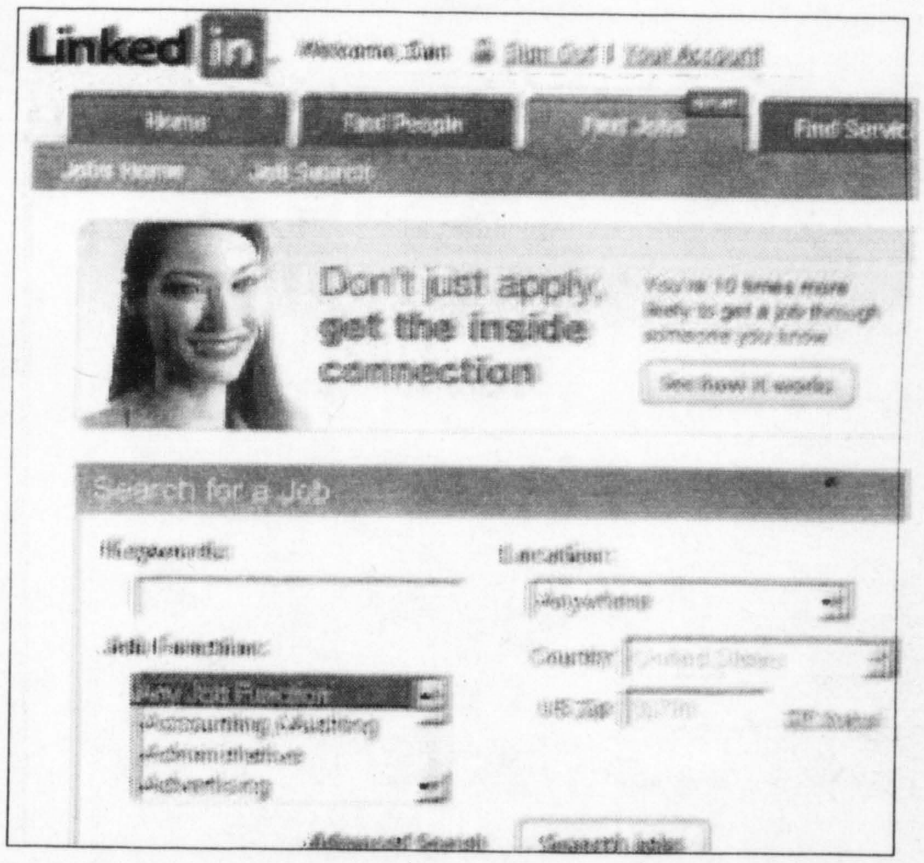
Dogster is a site where dog owners can talk to each other. Members can share photos of their dog, tell stories about their dog and make friends with other dog owners.



Consumating.com runs under the slogan, "A New Way to Find People Who Don't Suck." The site has features where users can meet people and rate profiles. The website holds a weekly photo contest as well as a question of the week contest.



Last.fm is a place where music lovers can unite. The site merged with Audiscrobbler in 2005. Users can install a plug-in on their music player and the site will keep a record of what artists a user plays. Users can create profiles detailing their favorite artists and musical tastes.



Linkedin.com is a business oriented social-networking site. The site is primarily used for professional networking and has more than nine million registered users. On the site, employers can list jobs and look for candidates. Users can also search for jobs and business opportunities on the site. Users are able to build "connections" which will help them get introduced to business people they may want to know. The site is used by people in more than 150 countries.

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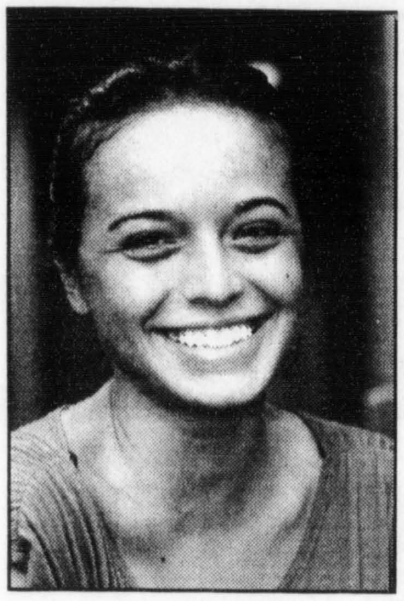

As the war escalates-- Bush's approval decreases

Undoubtly most people have heard by now about President Bush's plans to send more troops to Iraq. 21, 500 more troops to be exact.

According to cnn.com most of the troops will be sent to Iraq in order to pacify Baghdad. The new deployments, that will be accompanied by approximately $1 billion in aid aside from the $30 billion already committed, are set to start at the beginning of February. This is not the first time that Bush has increased the number of troops sent to Iraq. Last summer he sent 10,000 troops to pacify the violence in Baghdad- and was unsuccessful.

However, Bush is steadfast in his decision to send more troops, in addition to the 140,000 that are already deployed.

According to NBC News Bush realizes that the American people are becoming frustrated with the war and this move is more political than anything. He knows that he needs to achieve some victories to show the American people in what has been a largely unsuccessful war.

A poll conducted on Jan. 19 shows that Bush's approval rating is at an all time low of 34 percent and 70 percent of Americans disapprove of the war in Iraq.

But who can blame them? With 25 American troops dying on Saturday, Jan. 20 the death toll in this war is becoming ridiculous.

51 American soldiers have been killed so far in 2007, which brings the total number of American soldiers killed in the war to 3,055.

Officials state that Bush hopes to hand control over to Iraqi forces by November, but that doesn't mean that U.S. troops will withdraw at that point. So even with over 20,000 more troops going to war there still seems to be no end in sight.

In his State of the Union address to the public on Tuesday Bush stated that his new plan to send more troops to Iraq provides "the best chance of success" in Iraq.

In initial polls done by cnn.com after the State of the Union address only 41 percent of Americans got a "very positive" feeling from the address, which is his lowest "very positive" rating out of his six State of the Union addresses.

Forty-six percent of Americans were not confident that the United States would achieve its goals in Iraq after the address.

The bottom line is that the majority of Americans are unhappy with the state of the war in Iraq. Again, who can blame them? Most everyone knows someone that has been to Iraq- several Mansfield students have served overseas and while we all respect our military and what they do for our country, it is time for this war to end.

Bush and his administration seem to think that deploying 21,000 more troops will solve the problem.

I will say that Bush did at least one thing right in his State of the Union address on Tuesday night- and that was to address Nancy Pelosi and her achievement of becoming the first female leader of the House, addressing her right away as "Madam Speaker."

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Letter to the Editor:

Thanks to Santas Gift Bag participants

Every year as the holidays approach, the Office of Community Service (formerly known as the Community Service Learning Office) facilitates a program called Santa's Gift Bag. Through this program we offer help to local families in need of assistance providing Christmas gifts for their child (or children). After receiving a letter from our office, these families provide us with information to pass on to sponsors who shop for presents for the children. With the assistance of community members and our local Mansfield Fire Department, the gifts are packed and ready for pick-up or delivery several days before Christmas.

Gifts were provided for 152 children, ranging in age from 0-18. These 152 children were from 65 families. All of the children are students at a Mansfield school (Mansfield High, Miller Elementary, New Covenant Academy), a member of an area day care center or a sibling of one of the above.

None of this would have been possible without our wonderful SPONSORS and generous COMMUNITY SUPPORT!
Our sponsors came from both the university and the community. Students, faculty, staff, community members and businesses were all sponsors.
Below is a breakdown of those who helped sponsor a child, children, family or families this year.

We estimate that 200 plus MU students participated this year which is more than any other past year. 33 individual faculty and staff helped with many taking 2 or more kids and 3 Departments helped with each taking at least 3 kids. We estimate that 40 plus faculty and staff participated.

COMMUNITY:
First Citizens Bank was once again very generous! Between the main office and the operations center, 36 kids were sponsored.
Northern Tier Athletics sponsored children.
The Mansfield Chapter of Kiwanis and the Mansfield High School Key Club helped by sponsoring several children.

In addition, Santa's Gift Bag would not be possible without the help of other members of the community.
The Community Churches in Mansfield make and fill a stocking for each child.
Partners in Progress supplies hats and mittens/gloves for each child.
The Mansfield Volunteer Fire Association allow us to use the fire hall for several days and members also help sort, distribute and deliver gifts to some of the families.
Special thanks to Arlene Welch!
Kiwanis members sponsored children, provided people and vehicles to help transport gifts to the fire hall AND provided helpers to sort and distribute the gifts. We would like to especially thank the Mayor, Tom Wierbowski for taking time out of his busy schedule to help!

We also received several donations that helped us greatly.
We received a large community grant from Wal-Mart.
The Laurel Doll Club made a monetary donation and a donation of beautiful dolls.
The MU Social Work club donated wrapping paper which was given to the families.
Grace Niemczyk donated a beautiful porcelain doll.
Several individuals made monetary donations.

A Special Thanks goes out to:
-Sheena Renwick, our amazing and wonderful student worker. Without her help, SGB would not have come together so smoothly or been so organized
-Julia Overton-Healy for her support and help throughout the semester.
-Joe Maresco for all the work he did at the fire hall and behind the scenes.

We want to thank every single person who helped whether big or small!
We could not do it without each and every one of you!!!

Thanks again for making Santa's Gift Bag 2006 such a success!

In gratitude,
Rev. Deborah Casey and Courtney Murphy Hull,
Santa's Gift Bag Coordinators and Campus Ministers at Mansfield University

Quote of the Week

Don't bother just to be better than your contemporaries or predecessors.
Try to be better than yourself.

~William Faulkner

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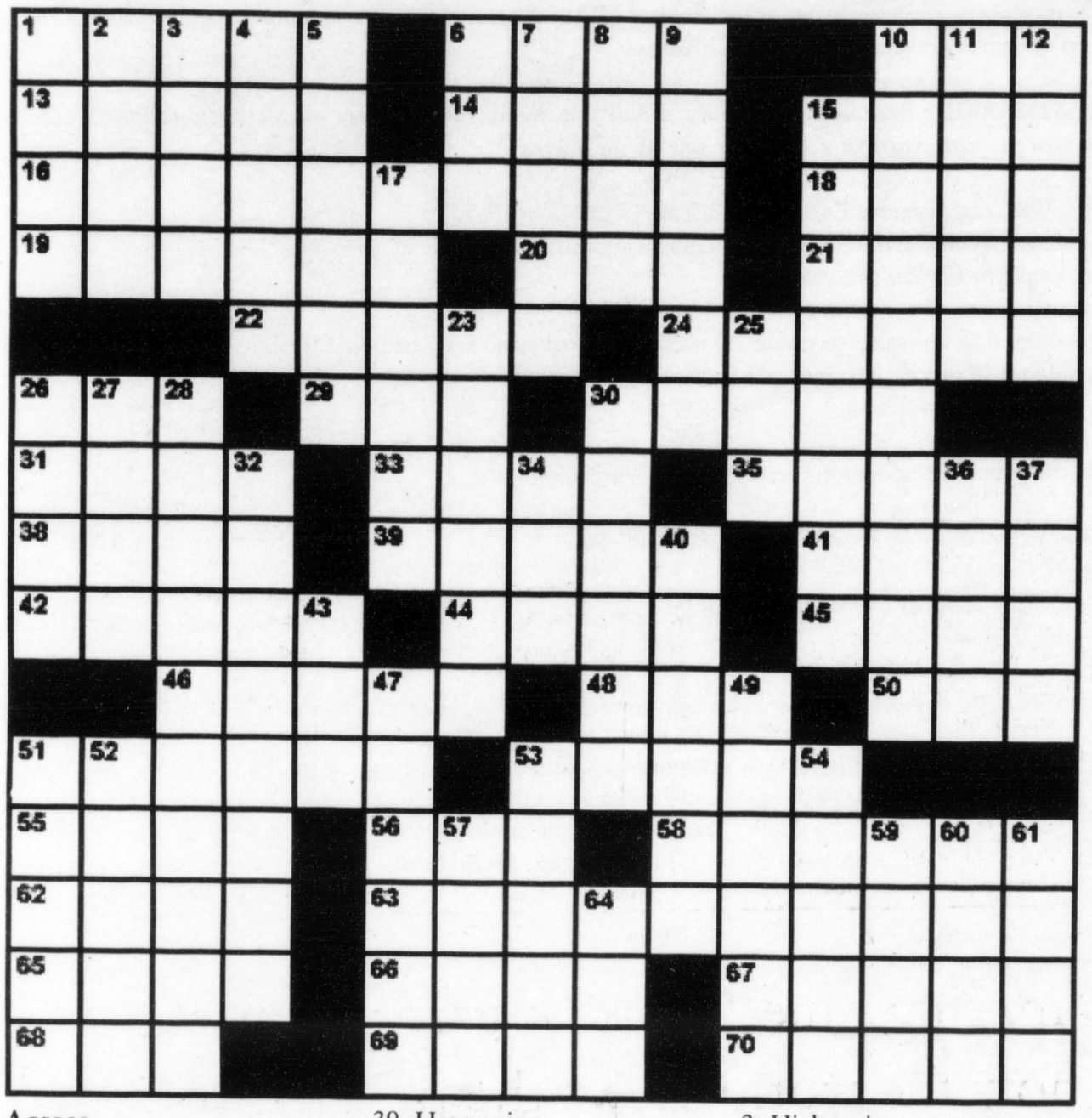

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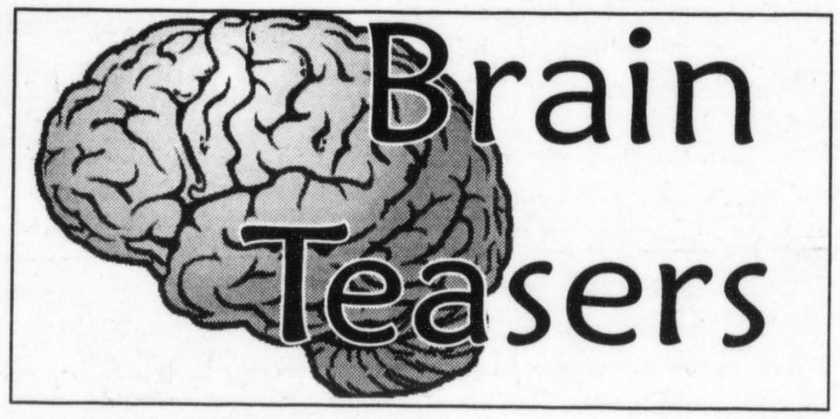

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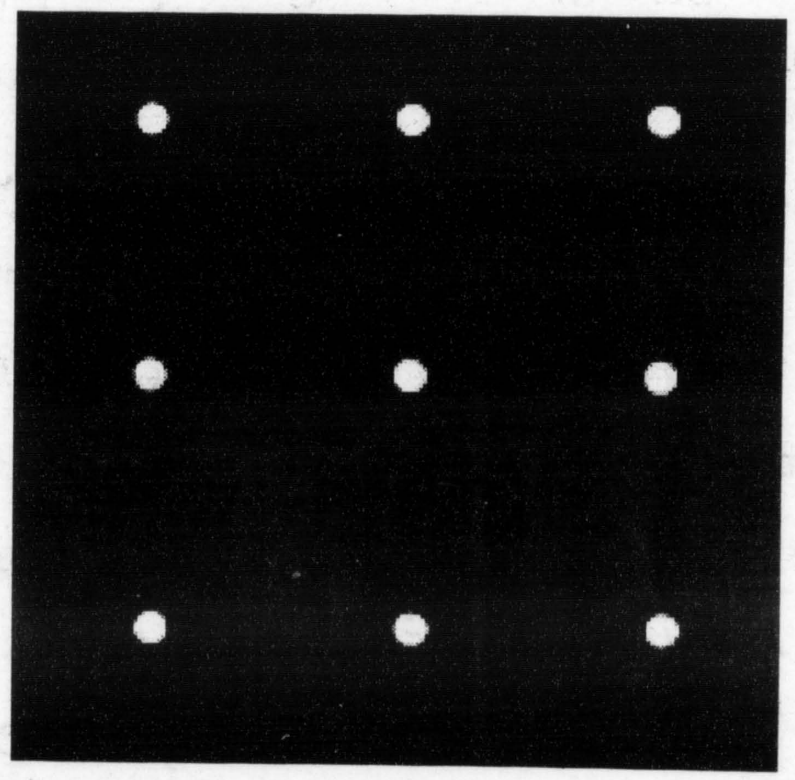

Look for the answer in next weeks issue of *The Flashlight*

Toby's two cents: Tony Dungy and Lovie Smith reaching the Super Bowl marks historic, momentous occasion for African American coaches

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Next Sunday when the Indianapolis Colts and Chicago Bears take the field for Super Bowl XLI in Miami you will be witnessing a historic event. Not because Peyton Manning finally made it to the big game or that Rex Grossman may be the most incosistent quarterback in Super Bowl history, but because it will mark the first time an African American head coach will be on the sidelines. As chance may have it, there will be two leading their teams into battle on super Sunday.

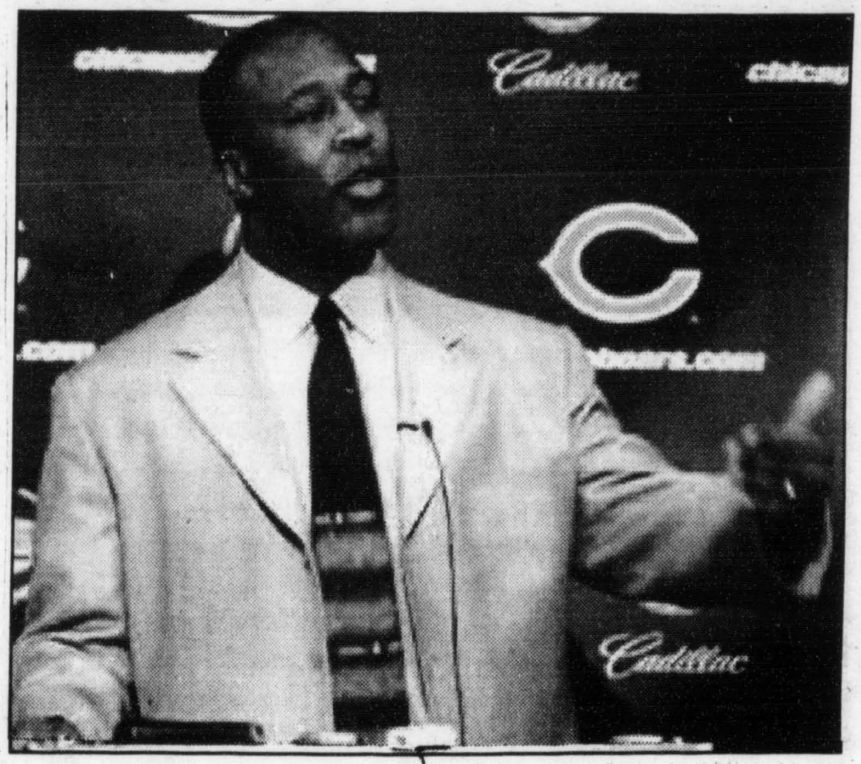
After numerous seasons where his teams couldn't quite get over the hump, Tony Dungy of the Colts is finally in the big game. Dungy was head coach of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers for six seasons, consistently getting them deep into the playoffs, but never into the Super Bowl. After the 2001 season, he was let go. The following year the Buccaneers went on to win the big game under the leadership of John Gruden. Dungy meanwhile took control of the Colts and reversed the fortunes of the franchise by turning them into perennial Super Bowl contenders. It took him five years, but Dungy finally did it.

Lovie Smith is a bit of a different story. Chicago was his first head coaching gig back in 2004, where he was hired after serving as the defensive coordinator for the St. Louis Rams. Smith was named coach of the year in 2005 after the Bears earned a first round bye, but lost in the divisional round of the playoffs. In only his third season, Smith has Chicago back in the Super Bowl for the first time since 1986.

After their 39-14 massacre over America's darlings the New Orleans Saints, Smith became the first African-American head coach to reach the Super Bowl. Just a little over four hours later after an exhillerating comeback over the seemingly invincible New England Patriots, Dungy became the second.

So given both coaches are setting a new precedent for minority coaches in professional football, who do you root for next Sunday if you're not a fan of either team? Dungy seems the logical choice. Last year, right before the playoffs, his son was found dead after committing suicide. Dungy continued to coach with a heavy heart, but lost in the second round of the playoffs to the eventual Super Bowl champion Pittsburgh Steelers. The true storybook ending would have been for Dungy and the Colts to win it all last season, but I'm sure he wouldn't mind taking home the Lombardi Trophy this year.

While Smith's story isn't littered with personal tragedy, he overcame a long journey to get to this point. He began his collegiate coaching career at Tulsa in 1983, and did not move to the NFL level until 1996. He then served as a linebackers coach for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and, you guessed it, Tony Dungy.



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Lovie Smith helped turned a struggling franchise into a Super Bowl contender. He and fellow African-American Tony Dungy will be making history when the face off next Sunday.

Dungy and Smith remain close friends from their days together with the Bucs, but don't let that fool you. Both coaches will leave their friendship in the back of their minds next Sunday when their teams take the field. Lovie Smith's defense versus Tony Dungy's offense. Without question, this Super Bowl will be fun to watch, both for the game and the history surrounding it.

The birth of a child is an amazing time for most parents. As children grow they begin to see how the world views them. What you say to your children can make a big difference in the way they feel about themselves. It's called self-esteem and children who have it generally become more successful than children who don't. Hearing words like, "You're worthless" and "you're stupid" will not make children feel good about themselves. These insults go beyond race, creed, and sexual orientation. However, often they are a result of different race, creed, sexual orientation and beliefs. But you can make your child feel really good by saying, "You're special", "Great Job" and "I Love You." Think about it. It only takes a couple of seconds to make your child's day a whole lot better. For more information, contact Haven at 570-724-3549 or 1-800-550-0447.

Womens Basketball remains undefeated in PSAC East play: Hafer scores 32 points in overtime victory over Cheyney

By PAT LAHR

Flashlight Sports Writer

Winter break is a time for most college students to recharge after a tough fall semester. Basketball players are not most college students. They stay behind and practice daily. They go on road trips and spend more time away from family. This was the case for the Mansfield women's basketball team over break.

The Mountaineers played nine games over the break, the first six were on the road. They struggled to find a rhythm, going on a six game losing streak, with all of the losses on the road against difficult opponents. The team was unable to score a lot of points over the course of the losing streak. The girls came back home looking to build their confidence and find a rhythm.

The Mountaineers pulled off a complete turn around during the home stand. They beat Millersville, Edinboro, Slippery Rock and Kutztown, forcing overtime in the Slippery Rock game after trailing at halftime. Each game took a total team effort and determination. The great team play and hustle was highlighted by Jessica Uhrich recording her 10th double-double of the season and more importantly her 1,000th career point, making her the 12th player in school history to reach the milestone.

The Mountaineers hoped to continue their winning streak when they traveled to Cheyney on Saturday, Jan. 20. The game was close from the opening tip. Neither team was able to pull away from one another. Mansfield pulled ahead for good after taking a 56-51 lead with ninety seconds left in regulation. But the Wolves forced three turnovers and held the lead 60-58. Courtney Brooks hit two free throws to tie the game at 60-60 with 23 seconds left on the clock. Cheney missed two three-point shots, sending the game into overtime.

The Wolves scored the first six points of the overtime period, going up 66-60 with 2:55 to play. Mallory Hafer was able to answer for the Mountaineers with a three pointer, her first of 11 total overtime points. Cheyney extended their lead to four points at the two minute mark when Hafer hit another three pointer, cutting the Wolve's lead to one point, 69-68. The Mountaineers took the lead, 71-69 with 1:27 remaining in OT when Jeannette Meacham sank two free throws. Angel Stevens tied the game for the Wolves and forced a second overtime period making a lay-up with twenty-seven seconds left.

The second overtime period was back and forth, with neither team ahead by more then a basket. Then Hafer came thru again, burying a three-pointer with 36 seconds left on the clock. The three-pointer gave her a game and career high 32 points. It was also a single game school record 8th three-pointer. Brooks sank 3-of-4 free throws in the last 30 seconds to lock up the game. But it was Hafer who was the hero of the day. She was 11-15 from the floor and an incredible 8-10 from behind the arc.

"Mallory was just outstanding. She really stepped up this year, but never so much as today," Coach Ruth Hermansen said.

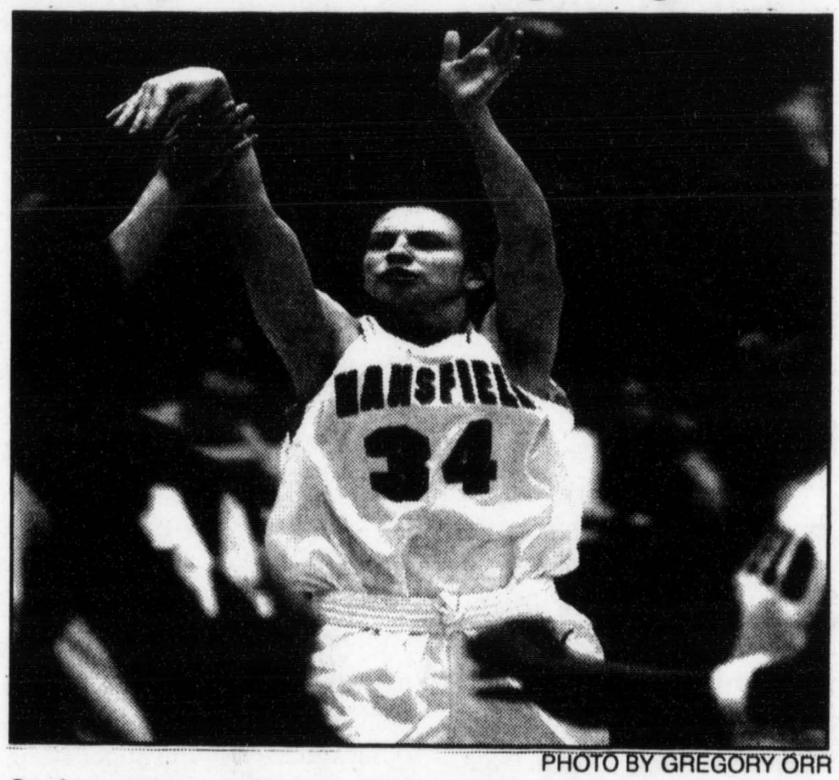
Uhrich also had another outstanding performance to add to her bid for PSAC Player of the Year. She recorded her 11th double-double of the season, scoring 16 points and pulling down 11 boards. Brooks also scored in double digits, racking up ten points while handing out five assists and hustling for five steals.

The win extended the Mountaineer's win streak to five and put their season record at 10-7. More importantly, Mansfield is now in first place in the PSAC East, at 3-0. The win was the 75th for Coach Hermansen. It also made this the fifth time in her eight seasons with Mansfield that the Mountaineers have won ten or more games. Mansfield had won ten or more games in a season only three times before Coach Hermansen took over the program in 1999-2000.

Mansfield will look to continue their winning streak on Saturday, Jan. 27 when they travel to West Chester (6-10 (1-1)). After traveling to take on the Golden Rams the girls will play a rare Monday game when they take on conference favorite and defending champion East Stroudsburg.

They will then play their third game in five days when they take on the Bloomsburg Huskies.

Tip-off for Saturday's game is set for 1 p.m. and can be heard on WNTE 89.5 the Giant.



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Sophomore guard Clarissa Correl has been a pleasant surprise this season for the Mountaineers. Her 12 points against Kutztown helped Mansfield get off to a 2-0 start in PSAC East play.

Coming up in Mountie Sports

Jan. 21	22	23	24 Men's Basketball 7 p.m. vs. Pitt-Johnstown	25	26 Indoor Track @ Field @ Findley Open Jan 26-27	27 Women's Basketball 1 p.m. @ West Chester Men's Basketball 3 p.m. @ West Chester
28	29 Women's Basketball 5:30 p.m. @ East Stoudsburg Men's Basketball 7:30 p.m. @ East Stroudsburg	30	31 Women's Basketball 5:30 p.m. vs. Bloomsburg Men's Basketball 7:30 p.m. vs. Bloomsburg	Feb.1	2 Indoor Track @ Field @ New Balance Invitational Feb. 2-3	3 Swimming @ East Stroudsburg Invitational Women's Basketball 1 p.m. @ Millersville Men's Basketball 3 p.m. @ Millersvillle

Mountaineers enjoy dominating performance against Wells College: Seniors Abbe Tipton and Daniella Borelli swim final home meet

By ANDREW OSTROSKI
Flashlight Co-News Editor

Mansfield University's women's swimming team captured their first victory of the new semester this past weekend, swimming past Wells College in their final home meet of the season at Decker Pool on Saturday, Dec. 20.

Saturday marked the final home swimming meets for seniors Daniella Borrelli and Abbe Tipton. Borrelli, who has been attending classes at the Sayre campus, saw limited action this season for the Mountaineers but made the trip to swim in the final meet of her career. Tipton, a PSAC qualifier and native of Elmira, also made the final home start of her illustrious four-year stay at Mansfield.

Mansfield was scheduled to compete against Wells College and a lone swimmer from the University of Pittsburgh's Bradford satellite campus. However, that swimmer was unavailable for the meet and Mansfield's tri-meet was reduced to a dual meet. Pitt-Bradford brought its men's team to compete against the men from Wells College.

The Mountaineers came out swinging by defeating Wells College in the opening event, the 400 medley relay, with a team consisting of Tipton, freshman Amanda Oechler, junior Maureen Maikner and freshman Tamar Maloney.

Mansfield's women would continue to take first in every event for the rest of the meet, eventually defeating Wells College by a score of 61-45.

Sophomores Mary Tucker and Tricia Learn, usually a dynamic tandem in the 1000 freestyle event, took a break for the week from the meet's longest distance event to allow Maikner to swim the event. She won the event with a time of 12:31.93. She would also go on to win the 200 breaststroke with a time of 2:43.96. Learn and Tucker would team up again for a 1-2 finish in the 200 freestyle.

Mansfield's trio of freshmen proved to be vital once again this week. Sarah Koontz won the 50 freestyle with a time of 27.93, and finished second in the 100 freestyle to fellow freshman Tamar Maloney, who won with a time of 58.20.

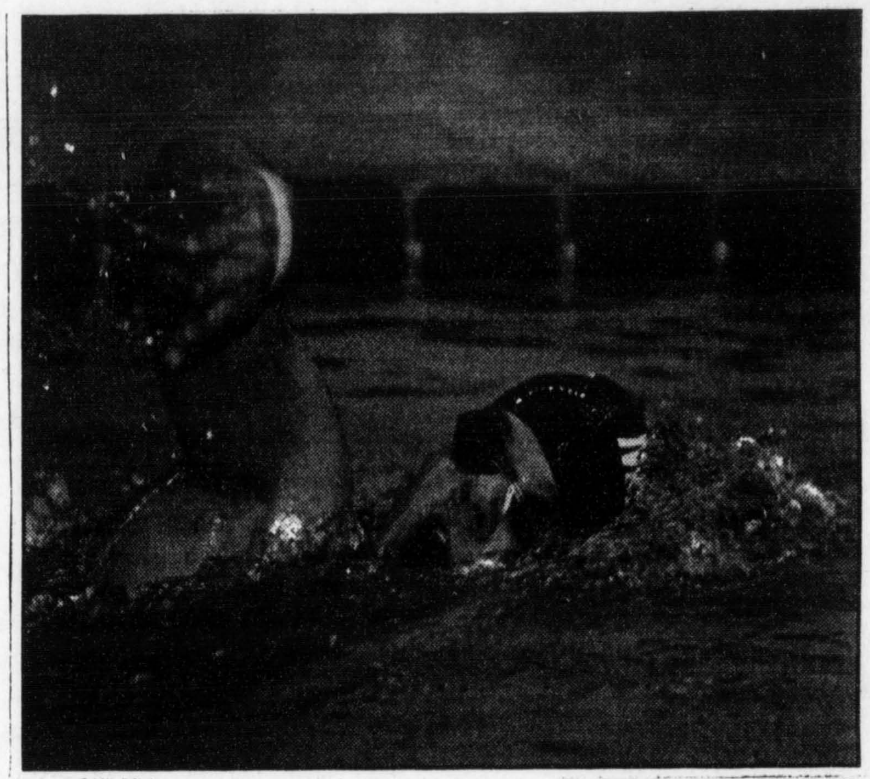
The biggest victory on the day was that of Oechler, who won the 400 individual medley with a time of 5:00.46. The time qualified her to participate in the upcoming PSAC championships held in Mechanicsburg in March.

Head coach Danita Fox praised Oechler's performance and also had kind words for the rest of the team during the same event.

"It was an awesome race because her teammates were helping her swim faster than she had ever done before to make the time," Fox said.

Saturday's meet was plagued by technical issues. The fire alarm in Decker was activated during senior recognition, causing a ten-minute delay. There were also a few issues involving the timing system that the technical crew was constantly trying to remedy.

"The swimmers' performances this past weekend against Wells College and U Pitt Bradford amongst the many technical glitches and fire alarm confirms to me that student athletes have a strong spirit inside of them to 'hang in there'", Fox said. "If the conditions aren't ideal, that's okay. They compete anyway simply because they can and desire to."



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Freshman Amanda Oechler took home numerous victories for the Mountaineers. Oechler is one of three freshman on the squad that give Mansfield hope for the future of the program.

Fox looks forward to the East Stroudsburg Invitational two weeks from now as another opportunity to qualify more swimmers for PSACs.

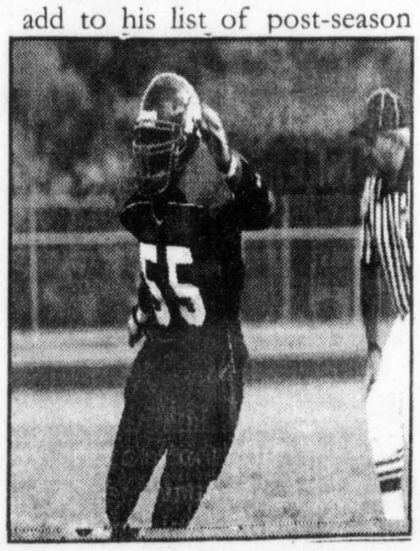
"The conference championships are approaching and although we have now qualified three individual swimmers for the meet, matching the number from last year, we are not going to forget the opportunity to qualify more swimmers at the ESU invitational," said Fox. "Tricia Learn is less than a second off the standard in the 200 free."

The East Stroudsburg Invitational on Feb. 3 will mark the end of regular season competition for the Mansfield Mountaineers.

Mountaineer seniors collect several postseason honors: Jamar Foulks and Andre Turner earn national and regional recognition

Seniors Jamar Foulks (Pittsburgh/Westinghouse) and Andre' Turner (Pittsburgh/Peabody) continue to garner post season honors following their outstanding play during the 2006 football season.

Jamar Foulks continues to add to his list of post-season accomplishments. Foulks has been named by D2football.com as a second-team All-American. The senior who graduated in December has also been named a pro-hopeful by D2football.com and was named to the First-Team All Northeast Region squad by back in December.



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Senior Andre Turner wreaked havoc on opposing offenses all season long.

After being moved to left tackle during his junior season, Foulks was moved back to his orignial position of center for the 2006 campaign. Center is the position where the senior earned All-American honors his sophomore season in 2004.

Foulks can also add another All-Region honor now as he has been named by the Don Hansen's Football Gazette to the second-team Northeast Region squad and is now eligible for the Football Gazette's All-American voting. The 6-3, 340 senior was a First Team All-PSAC East selection in 2003 and 2004 and Second Team selection in 2005.

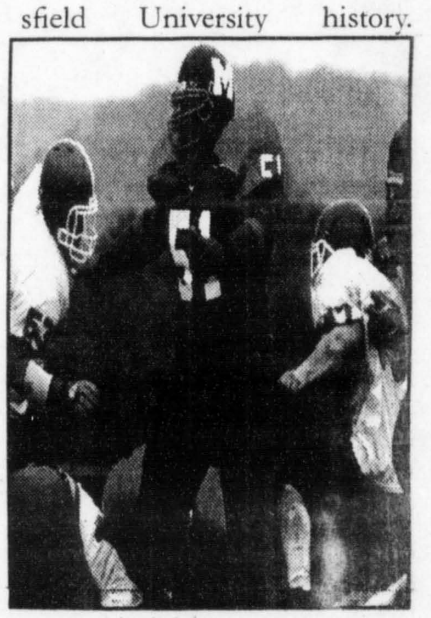
Foulks was selected to play in the East Coast Bowl, where he met and worked out with scouts from all major professional branches of football. He has hired an agent and is actively working on pursuing a professional career in football. He is listed as a pro prospect on www.division2football.com

Andre' Turner, who was named to the All-PSAC East second team honors for the fourth consecutive year, can now add a third team All-Region honor from Don Hansen's Football Gazette. 102 players representing 28 universities in the Northeast Region were honored in three squads by the Football Gazette this season.

The senior earns second team All-Northeast Region honors after a stellar season in which he recorded 83 total tackles, sixth best in the PSAC and a team-high 10.5 tackles for a loss. Turner's high point of the season occurred in the homecoming game against Lock Haven when he recorded 10 tackles, forced a fumble, broke up a pass and returned an interception 85 yards for a touchdown.

Turner finished his collegiate career with 351 tackles including 182 solo ranking him fourth in Mountaineer history. His 27.5 tackles for a loss rank him fifth in the entire PSAC.

These two were a few of the remaining players from the 8-3 campaign. Both Turner and Foulks were freshman on the 2003 squad that completed Mansfield's best season in nearly 40 years. More importantly, they were part of the final football team in Mansfield University history.



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Senior center Jamar Foulks was the anchor for the Mountaineer offensive line for the past four seasons, and has been rewarded for his efforts.

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Mountaineers starting to heat up with PSAC East play getting underway: John Hampton scores game high 23 points in upset victory over Cheyney

By PAUL OVERWISE
Flashlight Sports Writer

After struggling over the winter break, the Mansfield University Men's Basketball team has won four consecutive games leaving the team at 6-10 overall and 2-1 in PSAC East play.

The Mountaineers played six consecutive road games over winter break losing all of them. They returned to Decker gymnasium on Jan. 10 to take on nationally ranked Millersville. The shorthanded Mountaineers hung tough against Millersville, but faded fast as they were unable to slow down Greg Testa, who scored 30 points, in the Marauders' 85-70 victory over the Mountaineers. John Hampton had 18 points and 11 rebounds for Mansfield.

The Mountaineers, in the midst of a seven game losing streak, hosted the Edinboro Fighting Scots, the PSAC tournament champion the last two seasons. Mansfield was able to control the first half against Edinboro, taking a nine point advantage into the half. Edinboro started the second half looking like the team that has won consecutive PSAC championships. They cut the Mansfield lead to one point. The Mountaineers would stay strong and go on a run of their own and coast to an 80-66 victory over Edinboro.

John Hampton was the leading scorer with 20 points and Terrance Williams chipped in 16 points and 11 rebounds for the Mountaineers. Mansfield forced 22 Edinboro turnovers and 18 steals.

After the huge win on Saturday against Edinboro, the Mountaineers hosted Slippery Rock on Sunday. Mansfield and Slippery Rock were tied at 35 after the first half.

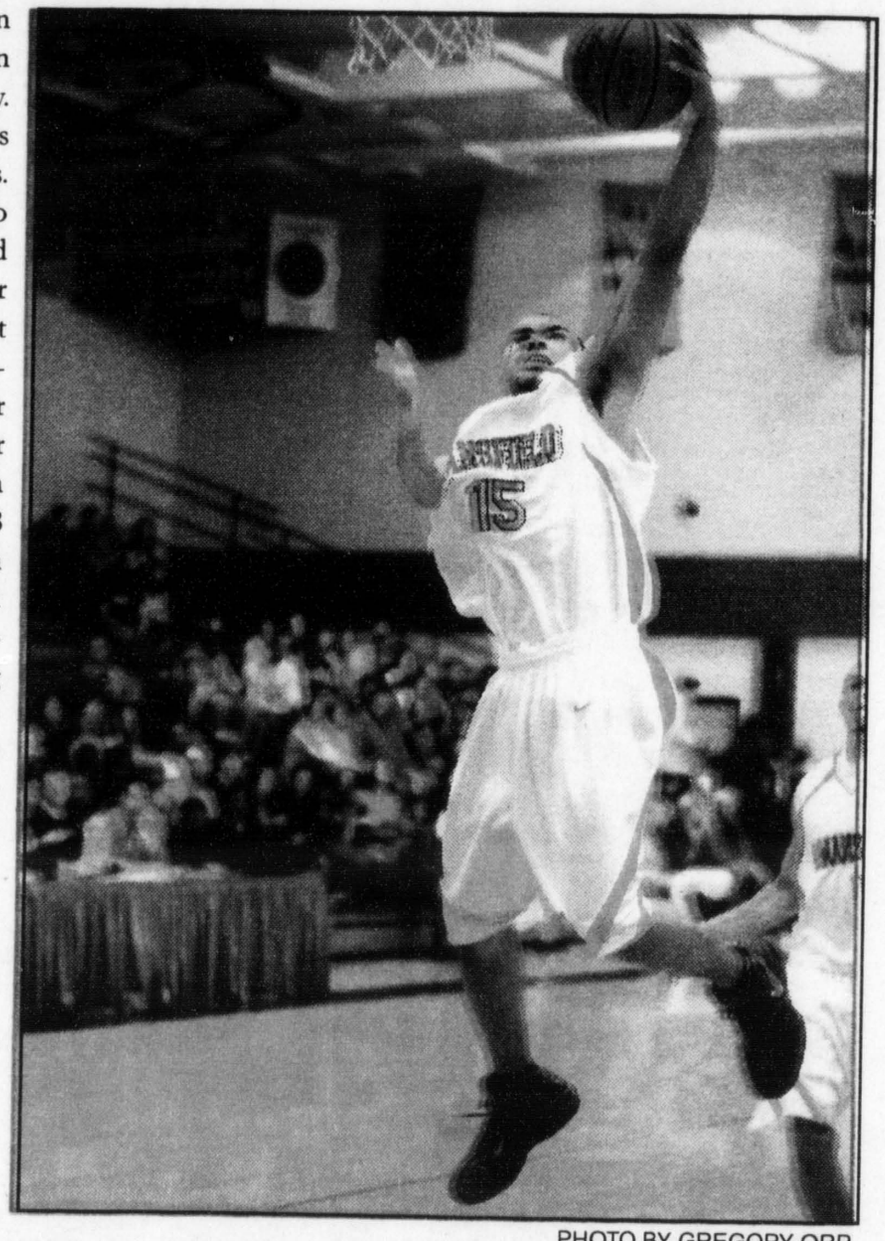
Just when it appeared Slippery Rock was beginning to pull away with key Mansfield players on the bench in foul trouble, Chris Greene put the Mountaineers on his back and rallied to tie the game up and send it into overtime. Chris Pender was able to put back a rebound for the tying basket. Kevin Hill hit a three-pointer in overtime to put the Mountaineers up four. Clutch free throws down the stretch by the Mountaineers were the reason they were able to hold on down the stretch in the 96-92 victory. Chris Greene lead all scorers with a career high 28 points.

After sweeping the two crossover games, Mansfield had a chance to pick up their first PSAC East win against Kutztown. Mansfield and Kutztown played to a 40-40 tie after one half. Mansfield forced their style of play on Kutztown in the second half and went 7-8 from the line down the stretch to pull out the 85-74 victory.

Mansfield shot a shade under 50 percent while holding Kutztown to 40 percent, including just 31 percent in the second half. Five Mountaineer players scored in double figures, Lawley with 21, Williams and Hill each with 15, Hampton with 12, and Greene with 11 to go with his seven assists and no turnovers. Chris Pender also scored nine for the Mountaineers. Kutztown was lead by Stephen Dennis and Dave Ben who both had 25.

Last Saturday, Mansfield traveled to Cheyney to take on the Wolves. Mansfield on the season had no wins on the road, and were embarrassed by the Wolves last season when they played in Cheyney. That would not be the case this year. Terrance Williams had a strong first half for the Mountaineers including a powerful one handed dunk on a fast break. Mansfield would lead 36-32 at the half.

The second half was back and forth until Mansfield took a nine point lead late into the second half. Cheyney would cut the lead back down to one after an alley-oop from Smith to Simpson, but Mansfield did not succumb to the pressure of the crowd. Hampton calmly broke the press and found Williams for an easy lay-up.



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Sophomore point guard Chris Greene enjoyed a career day against Slippery Rock. He followed that up with a solid week against Kutztown and Cheyney, averaging eight points, seven assists, and just one turnover per game over that stretch.

Mansfield would not trail the rest of the game and was able to make clutch foul shots to hold off the Wolves in a 81-71 victory.

John Hampton was 10-10 from the line on the way to 23 points. Hampton was named PSAC East player of the week for his efforts.

Terrance Williams also played well for the Mountaineers, scoring 17 points while adding five rebounds, four assists and five steals. Cheyney was lead by Michael Friar who had 20 points and 11 rebounds.

Mansfield will take on Pitt-Johnstown at Decker Gymnasium at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 24 before traveling to West Chester to take on the Golden Rams on Saturday, Jan. 27. The Mountaineers split two decisions with the Mountain Cats last season, including a 70-67 victory at Decker Gymnasium. Mansfield will once again have to contend with Chris Gilliam, who is among the nation's leaders in shooting percentage for the second straight season. Gilliam is currently shooting 61.5 percent from the floor.

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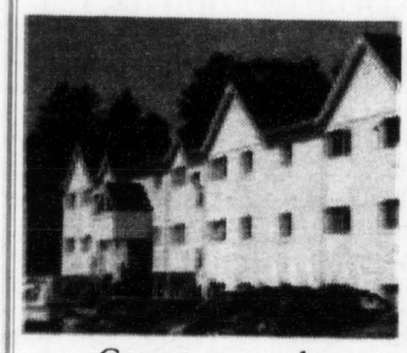

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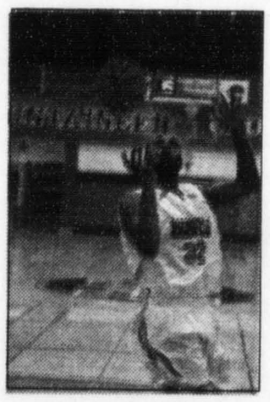

Mens basketball on cold streak

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Mansfield University's bookstore could move off campus: plans under negotia-

By REBECCA HAZEN
Flashlight Writer

The campus bookstore may be moving from its present location on campus to downtown Mansfield.

No definite plans are made yet, but it is something that the administration has been thinking about.

The main objectives for this move will be to enhance downtown Mansfield and expand the market.

Michael Reid, Vice President of Finance and Administration, believes that these goals can be achieved with the moving of the bookstore. "There will be a lot of benefits if this move is to happen," Reid said. "It can provide an extra destination for students and the community to go to in town."

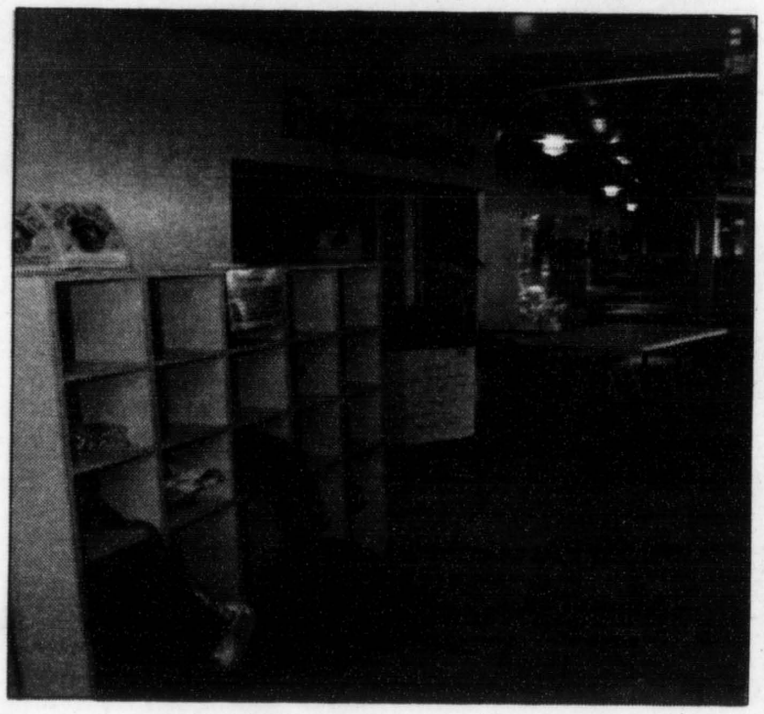

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
The campus bookstore was housed in Manser Dining Hall before being moved to the Alumni Hall Student Center about 10 years ago. If the bookstore is moved to downtown Mansfield it will be the first time in school history it will be located off campus.

The bookstore could be expanded to carry more goods, such as apparel and trade books, depending on the location the administration can find.

It is not determined yet whether the entire bookstore will be moved or just the upstairs book section or downstairs supply section. "There are a myriad of options. It depends on what space we can find," Reid said.

A major reason for the possibility of a move is to make the store more accessible for non-students. There have been complaints by alumni and the community that they wish to visit the store, but there is no parking available for them.

Donna Casselberry, the bookstore manager, wants to be sure that the decision is made with the students, because they are the main concern in this possible move.

"I want to make sure the students are thought of before any decision is made. We don't know how the students will react," Casselberry said.

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Mansfield University Jazz to swing with Michael Davis, Jeff Galindo, X-Ray Big Band

By CARRIE GOODYEAR
Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University Jazz Ensemble will perform with guest artists Michael Davis and Jeff Galindo and the X-Ray Big Band.

The first half of the concert will feature local favorite, the X- Ray Big Band. The X- Ray Big Band consists of community members, Mansfield University faculty, and high school students.

Dr. Michael Galloway, director of the Mansfield University Jazz Ensemble explained why X-Ray is such a favorite. "Their energy and enthusiasm always connects them to their audience and their performances are always well received." Galloway said.

The second half of the concert will feature two trombone soloists. Michael Davis is a well known soloist and composer. Davis has performed with several famous musicians including Harry Connick Jr., Beck, Aerosmith and Jon Bon Jovi.

Jeff Galindo is an assistant professor at Berklee College of Music. He teaches trombone and jazz improvisation. Galindo has worked with people like Ray Charles and Aretha Franklin.

Dustin Giffin is a senior music education major on trombone. He is also a member of the Mansfield University Jazz Ensemble as well as the International Association of Jazz Educators.

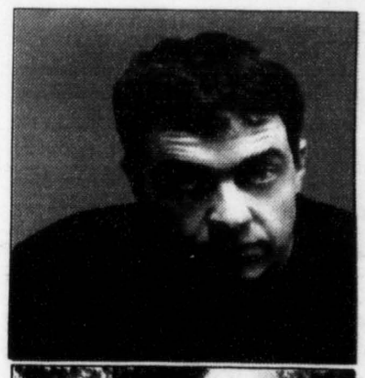
"It's always exciting to have professional musicians come to Mansfield because you get to meet these world class musicians," Giffin said. "Then you find out that they are just regular, down to earth people."

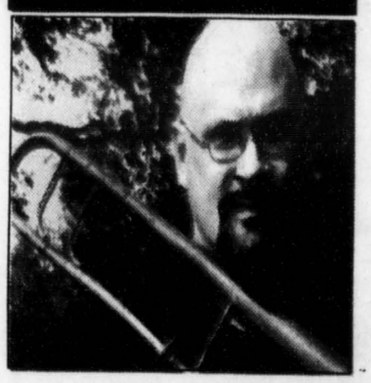
As a trombonist himself, Giffin is anticipating a great concert. "It's the first time since I have been here that we have gotten two trombonists. Davis and Galindo are both extraordinary musicians, so it's going to be good."

Davis and Galindo are also giving a free clinic on Sat., Feb. 10 in Butler Music Center, room 163. This clinic is open to anyone interested to learn more about jazz.

"I have played and performed a lot of Davis's music," Giffin said. "I'm going to the clinic because it will give me a chance to talk to Davis about jazz arranging and especially arranging for the trombone."

The concert will be held at 8 p.m. on Feb. 10 in Steadman Theatre. Tickets are $10, and $5 for students and senior citizens. Mansfield University students are free with ID. All proceeds benefit the Mansfield University chapter of the International Association of Jazz Educators to support the jazz program at Mansfield University.





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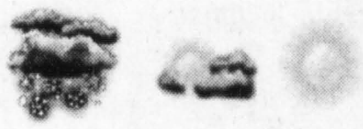

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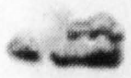

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Police Beat

Dec. 14, 2006 - Disorderly Conduct - Tanea Robinson, 21 withdrew $100.00 from a PSECU atm account belonging to another subject. The money was returned to the owner, and Robinson was cited for disorderly conduct.

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Campus Bulletin Board

•Southern Tioga Little League Board Meeting

Open meeting to include anyone from Mansfield, Blossburg or Liberty interested in the STLL. All board members, managers, coaches, parents and umpires are invited. No children allowed.
Sunday, Feb. 11 at 6 p.m at the Mansfield University Decker Gym-2nd Floor classroom.

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Fire reports at South Hall site are stated as false; other plans for renovations are in the works

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Writer

A fire was seen at South Hall resulting in Campus Police and fire trucks to be called to the construction site.

Gregory Black is the project manager from Brooks Maintenance who is handling South Hall's construction. "There was no fire. Somebody must have seen the 'salamander heater' which keeps the work area warm," Black said.

A 'salamander heater' is a long torpedo looking heating system that sends burst of fire to heat the construction area.

"The university is very thankful that we have students that are concerned," Black said.

Because there was no fire at South Hall, construction is still on track. "Everything is going pretty smooth. Things are moving along," Black said.

Black is looking at the completion date for South Hall to be Aug. 31. The construction crew has 30 days after the completed date to correct any minor problems. In September the university will take over South Hall. In the spring of 2008, South Hall is expected to be in use.

According to Black, the new South Hall is going to be a "one-stop shop." Some offices found in the Alumni Student Center and the Doane Center will be moved into South Hall. Offices that will be moved are admissions, financial aid, the registrar's office, Psychology Department offices, tutoring, the Trio offices, the Act 101 offices, as well as others will also be moved into South Hall.

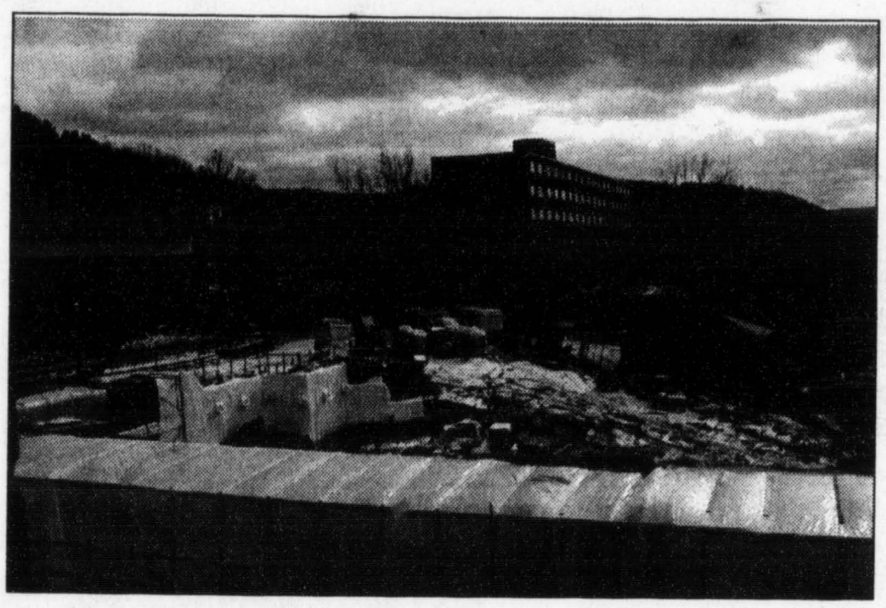

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
While fire trucks did appear at the construction site of the new South Hall last week, reports of a fire on the location were incorrect, and construction on the new building is continuing.

Some new features of South Hall will be three floors, a large entrance and a covered walkway connecting South Hall to the Alumni Student Center.

Other buildings will be under construction in the near future. A new Allen Hall will be built and there will be a new phase of Grant Science Center.

Black revealed that at the beginning of the summer contractors will make their bid on Allen Hall. By fall construction will begin on the new building.

Dr. Lee Wright is the communications department chair. "The new Allen Hall will have an improved studio. The audio lab will be now located in Allen instead of Butler. The new Allen Hall will have a graphic design lab as well," Wright said.

A meeting was recently held to discuss what will be involved with the new phase of the Grant Science Center. At this meeting funding will

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Commons taken over by bank; will to remain open amidst financial woes

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Writer

The Corey Creek Apartments, known to most Mansfield University students as the University Commons, have been suffering financially as of late, and have been turned over to the control of the Susquehanna Bank of Pennsylvania. However, this situation is not slated to effect the living status of any of the buildings' residents.

The University Commons, which are located at 150 North Main Street, across the street from the Greco's shopping center, house many of the students, mainly upperclassmen, that attend Mansfield University. The Commons have been handed over to the Susquehanna Bank of Pennsylvania, a company based in Lititz, Lancaster County. Current residents of The Commons were informed of the change in ownership through various forms of written correspondence that was left for them.

John W. Berkes, the Assistant Vice President of Susquehanna Bank and one of the parties listed on the received correspondence, assured that no residents of The Commons would lose their leases or be evicted.

"Students will not lose apartments, we are looking for a way to make the apartments better for the students." Berkes said.

Students who were concerned about losing their places to live, such as Troy Cobaugh, are glad to be remaining there after some worry.

"I'm comfortable living there," said Cobaugh. "They come with everything you need and I have lots of room."

Susquehanna Bank took the apartments under a distinct course of process and hopes to make the Commons a nicer place to live for the students. Berkes stressed the fact that students who do not breach their leases can remain at The Commons as long as they wish.

"The students signed the leases and they are [a] binding contract and the students will continue to live there as long as the rent is paid." said Berkes.

One glaring problem is that the complex is not full with students. "Two things that could be improved is the parking lot, which isn't very big, and the rec room could use some better equipment," added Cobaugh. The Susquehanna Bank of Pennsylvania is looking to make the University Commons a place where Mansfield students want to live.

Andrew Ostroski and Mike Lengel contributed to this story.

PHOTO FROM UCMANSFIELD.COM
The Mansfield University Commons at 150 North Main Street will remain open to all residents while the financial woes surrounding the complex are worked out by Susquehanna Bank.

'Bookstore'

The bookstore is student governed, and all of the profits made go back to the students. "I have done my research, but the decision to move is not up to me. The students need to be involved," Casselberry said.

Jessica Ibanez, a Mansfield student living on campus, feels that a possible move would not be a good idea. "I rarely go off campus, so it would be inconvenient for me," Ibanez said.

Ibanez also feels that it could be difficult for some students to go to a bookstore located in town. "If you have a busy schedule with classes and work, plus no car; it could be hard to find times to go," Ibanez said.

Scott Peterson, another student on campus, feels the same way as Ibanez. "Do you know how hard it would be to get books in town? The whole point of a campus bookstore is to get supplies and books quickly and easily," Peterson said.

Mansfield University celebrates Black History Month with series of events on campus

In celebration of Black History Month, Mansfield University will hold a series of special events. The theme for the programs is "We've Come a Long Way to be Here: Striving for Peace."

On Tuesday, Feb. 6, Azizur Molla, assistant professor of Social Work, Anthropology and Sociology, will present "Construction of Culture For Social Justice: Lessons from Martin Luther King, Jr., Mahatma Gandhi, and Nelson Mandela" at 7 p.m. in Alumni Hall, Room 307.

On Tuesday, Feb. 13, Molla, Andy Gaskievicz, associate professor of History and Political Science, George Agbango, professor of Political Science at Bloomsburg University, and Mansfield University student Sahr Thomas will be part of a panel discussion entitled "Focus on Africa: Current Affairs" at 7 p.m. in Alumni Hall, Room 307.

"The Future of Aerospace: A tribute to Ronald McNair" will be the topic of a presentation by James E. Hubbard Jr., Langley Distinguished Professor at the National Institute of Aerospace at the University of Maryland, on Friday, Feb. 16, 7 p.m. in Alumni Hall, Room 317.

On Tuesday, Feb. 26, 4 p.m. in Alumni Hall, Room 307, C. Richard Gillespie, retired professor of Theatre at Towson University, will present his novel Papa Toussaint, a historical novel of the last five years of the life of Toussaint Louverture, the liberator Of Haiti.

The Mansfield University celebration will carry over to Monday, March 19, when Carolyn Evans will perform the one woman plays "Sojourner Truth: "Ain't I A Woman?" and "Emmett Tills' Mother: A Mother's Cry for American Justice" at 7 p.m. in Steadman Theatre.

All events are open to the public. They are sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs, the President's Commission on the Status of Women, the President's Advisory Board for Diversity and the Mansfield International Students' Organization (MISO).

Campus recycling program receives awareness overhaul

By LAURA HALL
Special to the Flashlight

Northern Tier Solid Waste Authority (NTSWA) began making improvements to the on campus recycling program starting at the beginning of the Spring 2007 semester.

According to Erin Route, Recycling Coordinator for NTSWA, President Loeschke contacted the organization about bettering the recycling program on campus. Their main focus is the dorms.

In 2005 the Mansfield campus recycled 29,892 pounds of materials. In 2006 the campus only recycled 28,765 pounds of material. These numbers explain why recycling improvements and the push for students to participate in recycling has begun. "We are putting up signs and bulletins all around campus in hopes that the students catch on," Route said. "It will be an awareness overhaul."

Currently, only plastic and aluminum are collected on the dorm floors and newspapers are collected in all dorm lobbies. NTSWA is placing additional recycling bins on every dorm floor. They ask that students separate the recyclables and put nothing but the recyclables in the bins. This especially means trash. Signs will be up near the bins listing what can and cannot be recycled.

NTSWA wants students to know that the custodians empty the recycle bins not because they have to, but because they want to help out. Students should show them respect by sorting the recyclables and keeping the bins litter free.

If students do well and increase their habit of recycling the plastic, aluminum and newspaper NTSWA will begin to collect other things to recycle like glass, computer paper, computers and all their hardware. They even hope

Remember:

- Plastics take up to 400 years to break down in a landfill.
- One ton of recycled paper can save:
  - 17 trees
  - 380 gallons of oil
  - 7,000 gallons of water
  - 3 cubic yards of landfill space
- Recycling steel saves 60-70% of the energy required for making cans from raw materials.

NTSWA want Mansfield students to "make recycling a habit" because the world we can save is our own. Become Aware. Get Involved. See Results. RECYCLE.

The Mansfield University Career Development Center is seeking local and regional employers to participate in the annual Mansfield University Job Fair noon to 3 p.m. on Thursday, April 12.

The job fair is designed to help university students and alumni who are seeking employment, full or part time, or internships to connect with employers who are looking for talented and skilled personnel. Last year more than 30 employing organizations participated.

"This is terrific way for employers to meet and recruit our students in a 'one-stop' situation, and for our students to meet potential employers to discover their options," Julia Overton-Healy, director of the MU Career Center, said "I expect the 2007 Job Fair to be very well attended and I would happily welcome more employers from the local and regional area to participate. Our students need to see the tremendous opportunities available right here."

Employers are charged a $50 participation fee. Any employer interested in taking part should contact the Mansfield University Career Center at

(570) 662-4133.

Community singers invited to join Mansfield University Festival Chorus for spring performance

Area singers are invited to join the Mansfield University Festival Chorus, which will perform Elijah by Felix Mendelssohn on Saturday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m. in Steadman Theatre and Sunday, April 15, at 3 p.m. in the Corning Museum of Glass Auditorium.

The Festival Chorus, directed by Peggy Dettwiler, meets on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. in Steadman Theatre on the MU campus beginning Tuesday, January 16. A full orchestra of faculty, student, and professional players will accompany the chorus and professional soloists, soprano Pamela Kurau from Rochester, NY, contralto Deborah Leyshon from Easton, PA, tenor Gerald Grahame, from Binghamton, NY and baritone Neil Wilson, from Medford, OR.

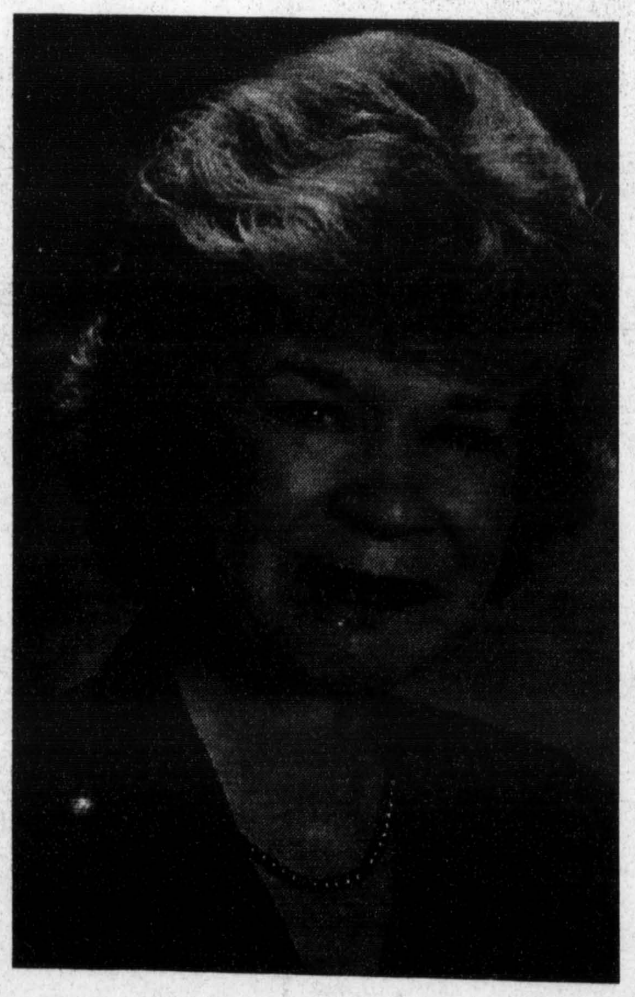


PHOTO FROM MANSFIELD.EDU
Choral Director Dr. Peggy Dettwiler will be conducting the Mansfield Festival Chorus in Mendelssohn's "Elijah" in April.

The first performance of Mendelssohn's Elijah took place April 16, 1847. Mansfield's will occur 160 years later, almost to the day, a fitting time-line for Mansfield's Sesquicentennial celebration.

Next to Handel's Messiah, Mendelssohn's Elijah is the most popular oratorio work in this country and certainly the most distinguished choral setting of the Old Testament.

Scores will be available for sale in the Campus Bookstore and at the first rehearsal. Optional sectional rehearsals will take place on Wednesdays from 5 to 6 p.m.

Call (570)662-4721 or e-mail pdettwil@mansfield.edu for more information.

Check Mansfield.edu for upcoming music performances and ticket information.

Mansfield University Events Calendar

Thursday, Feb. 1

Friday, Feb. 2

Event: Noon-1 p.m.- Wear Red Day Brown (bring your own lunch) Day in Room 307 Alumni Hall Student Center. Beverages and cookies will be served.

Saturday, Feb. 3

Music 3 p.m. Sarah Sharer and Jessie Strefler, Junior Oboe/Bassoon Recital

Sunday, Feb. 4

Monday, Feb. 5

Tuesday, Feb. 6

Wednesday, Feb. 7

Thursday, Feb. 8

Friday, Feb. 9

Music: 7 p.m. Conducting Symposium Steadman Theatre

Saturday, Feb. 10

Music: 8 p.m. Jazz Ensemble Concert with the X-Ray Band, Steadman Theatre

Music: Conducting symposium, all day. Steadman Theatre

Sunday, Feb. 11

Music 12 p.m. Alyssa Eddings and Heather Singley, Junior Trumpet/Flute Recital

Music 5:30 p.m. Therapy Improvisation workshop - guest Sera Smolen

What in the World News in a Flash

By ANDREW OSTROSKI
Flashlight News Co-Editor

WORLD NEWS

MOGADISHU, Somalia- Somali extremists have posted warnings to peacekeepers to stay out of the country. A videotaped warning was released to the media stating that any peacekeepers that entered the war-torn nation would be killed. African leaders are meeting in neighboring Ethiopia to discuss the deployment of up to 8,000 peacekeepers to Somalia. Islamic forces have threatened to overthrow Somalia's interim government, but the Ethiopian government has intervened. The Islamic groups that reside in Somalia are suspected of harboring terrorists that attacked U.S. Embassies in Tanzania and Kenya in 1998. Somali President Abduhalli Yusuf is holding talks to make an attempt at ending the sixteen years of violence that have plagued Somalia. The talks come while there is still great opposition within Yusuf's administration, and no peacekeeping efforts will begin until the talks are held.

LONDON, England- researchers and archaeologists have uncovered the remains of what appears to be a village in the area surrounding Stonehenge in northern England. Eight homes have been excavated at the site some two miles from Stonehenge, but it is believed there may be as many as 25 in that location. A wooden replica of the stone circle was also discovered at the site. It is believed that some of the 250 cremations discovered at the Stonehenge site may have originated from the town. Stonehenge was theoretically used as a calendar for charting the path of the sun for farmers planting crops. It is also believed to be a worship site, possibly for druids. The National Geographic Society in part funded the excavation, and was assisted by other private organizations

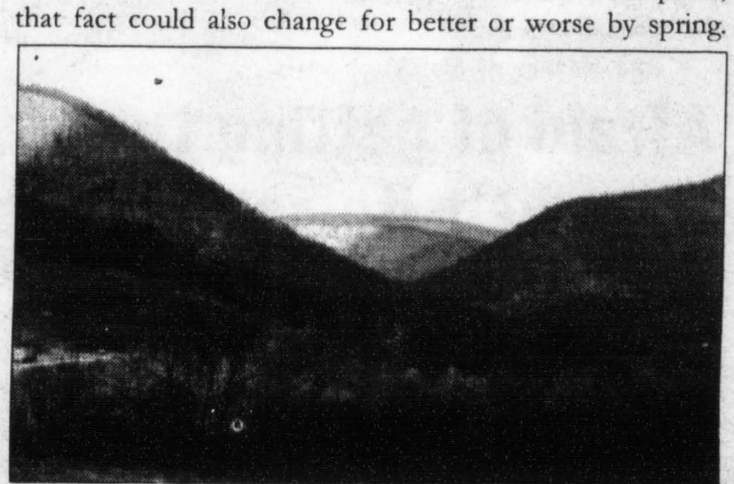
PHOTO FROM DIGITALDUTCH.COM
Stonehenge, the ancient calendar used by early Europeans to tell the seasons, was also used as an early place of worship and cemetery.

GAZA CITY- Hamas and Fatah, two Palestinian factions, agreed to an unsettling peace after escalated fighting between the two groups for four days in Gaza City and the West Bank. During the four day period of violence, at least 29 people were killed by gunfire and explosions from the rival factions. Each group has also kidnapped 50 members of their opposition's followers. Leaders of both factions have agreed to release their prisoners and meet face-to-face to negotiate a more easy peace. Since elections last year, Hamas has been in control of the Palestinian government, while a Fatah holds the office of Palestinian Authority presidency.

PANABAJ, Guatemala- Over 100 bodies of Panabaj residents who were killed over a year ago in a mud slide are starting to be recovered from the ruins. The mud slide was triggered by heavy rain and winds when Hurricane Stan ravaged the Central American nation in October of 2005. Guatemalan President Oscar Berger had initially said that the bodies would never be recovered. Protest from the families of the dead sparked the new recovery project, which involved a team of skilled anthropologists and archaeologists. Many of the bodies recovered are in near perfect condition, preserved by the mud. More bodies are slated to be recovered by the end of March.

LOCAL NEWS

WILLIAMSPORT, Pennsylvania- The below-average amount of snowfall for this part of the state at this time has environmentalists worried about the levels of the water table. Snowfall in this part of the state has reached just over one inch, and the low levels could also effect the area's dense forests. While the region has been used to heavy, wet snow falling over a long period of time during the winter, so far this year the storms that have rolled through are fast-moving clippers that have dropped lighter snow that has barely blanketed the area. While reservoir levels are normal at this point, that fact could also change for better or worse by spring.



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Local environmentalists are concerned that the lack of snowfall in northern Pennsylvania will effect the water levels in local reservoirs and the growth of area forests.

ELMIRA, New York- Residents in the Elmira School District are up in arms over the intent to mandate school uniforms throughout the district. The school board looks to make students in grades K-12 wear the khaki pants and polo shirts that would cost an estimated fifteen dollars per uniform. Wal-Mart, Target, and the Salvation Army have been in discussions with the school district on how to acquire the cheapest uniforms. 64 per cent of the parents in the district agree with the idea of school uniforms being implemented. The idea behind the uniform is for students to worry less about what they are wearing and focus more on their studies. Parents in the district are more concerned about the cost of uniforms in the community. A petition has been started for parents to voice their distaste with the uniform plan.

Information taken from
cnn.com, sungazette.com, and wetmtv.com.

Beating the winter blues: Getting outside and getting over the lack of sunlight at this time of year

By BRITTANY SERAFINI
Flashlight Features Co-editor

Now that the weather is becoming more winter-like, it shouldn't be surprising to start feeling a little "blah." Shorter days mean less sunlight, and less sunlight means feeling more sluggish than usual when waking up in the morning, needing naps in the afternoon, and craving sweets and lots of carbs.

For years medical experts have examined and studied the effects of light, or lack thereof. Even poets have contemplated the effects that light have on humans. The "winter blues" that occurs when a person does not get enough sunshine in his or her life can lead to the more serious disorder – Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD).

Fortunately, only about four to six percent of Americans suffer from SAD, and 10 to 20 percent suffer from the "winter blues." About three-quarters of these are women, age 20 to 50. It tends to occur in people who live at higher latitudes with more extreme seasonal changes, hence it occurs in only one percent of the Florida population versus 10 percent of the Alaskan population.

The exact cause of SAD is not known; however, it is related to the changes in the availability of sunlight throughout the seasons. There are a couple theories: one is that a decreased exposure to sunlight causes the biological clock that regulates sleep, mood and hormones to run more slowly during late fall and winter. Another theory is that neurotransmitters (serotonin, for example) are seriously affected by changes in sunlight, mostly by decreasing the balance of chemicals transmitted between nerves.

Dr. Alfred J. Lewy has been studying the biological clock theory for years, and recently published experimental evidence to support the theory. He describes it as a form of "jet lag," that the delayed dawn and shorter days in winter cause the circadian rhythm of SAD people to drift out of phase with the sleep-wake cycle, as if they have jet lagged from travelling across time zones.

With "jet lag," the circadian rhythm and biological clock can usually recover in a few days. "In people with SAD, this adjustment takes five months," Lewy said.

Common SAD symptoms are similar to those of depression, including sadness, anxiety, irritability, loss of interest in usual activities, withdrawal from social activities, and inability to concentrate. People with SAD also experience extreme fatigue, increased need for sleep, craving for carbohydrates, and increased appetite and weight gain.

As bummed as you might feel during the winter, it is important not to diagnose your symptoms yourself. A healthcare professional should conduct a thorough examination and assessment to get the proper diagnosis.

If the healthcare professional diagnoses SAD, there is a type of light therapy that is used to help with symptoms. A person usually sits two to three feet away from a device made of fluorescent light tubes. The patient should also attempt to maximize the amount of light they experience during the day.

If you are the one in five Americans who suffers from these symptoms, from the less serious "winter blues" to the more serious SAD, as much as you may want to stay inside and wallow in misery, the best thing to do is to get out of your dorm and do something.

Feeling a little down? Try some of these tips:

- Try to spend some time outside, even if it's cloudy. The benefits are the same.
- Eat a well-balanced diet. Aside from this being a good thing in general, this will also give more energy even though the body will crave sweets and other starchy foods.
- Exercise 30 minutes a day, three times a week. This will also benefit the energy needed to combat the blues.
- Get professional counseling, if needed, during the winter months.
- Get involved! Whether it's with your social circle or with activities on campus, this will keep you occupied and give you a support system that is a tremendous blessing when you start feeling the onset of the "winter blues."

Afraid of getting that new gadget stolen? New website can help set your mind at ease

College campuses full of returning students are also full of the new computers, bikes, gadgets and other valuable items students bring with them. StealitBack.com, a special service offered by online police auction site PropertyRoom.com, says college students wanting to protect such valuables can take an important precautionary step.

Specifically, students can register their personal property at StealitBack.com, which maintains what may be the only nationwide registry of lost or stolen goods.

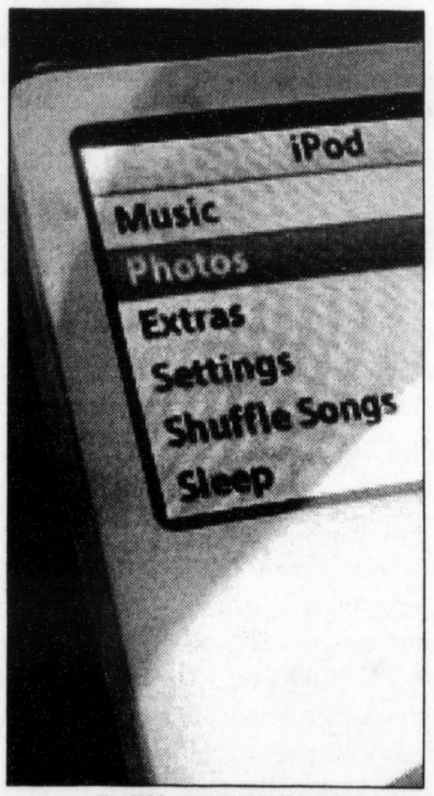
"The first thing that students should know is that properly documenting valuable goods is a necessary step to recovering them, whether they find it through StealitBack, their local police department or the university lost and found," said Tom Lane, a former detective and founder of StealitBack and PropertyRoom.com. "Photographs, receipts, serial numbers and police reports are all key components StealitBack uses in determining if an item can be returned."

Should an item get lost or stolen, it may wind up in one of the hundreds of police property rooms that StealitBack and its affiliate site, PropertyRoom.com, conduct auctions for. StealitBack checks all property it receives against the serial numbers in its database, and returns items when legitimate claims are made -- all free of charge.

Lane noted that a perfect StealitBack scenario happened just a few weeks ago. StealitBack was notified that two radio controlled (RC) cars, each valued at more than $1,500, had been stolen during a race. A very detailed police report the victim had provided allowed StealitBack and the police department to quickly determine that the cars were his. They were subsequently returned to him.

Items can be returned through several avenues. However, proper documentation of an item is imperative in the return process. In order for StealitBack to return an item, a user must register the items' serial number, produce proof of having the item in their possession or show proof of having purchased the item.

When StealitBack is notified that an item may have been stolen, the Web site will work with the police department to prove the authenticity of the claim. If there is substantial evidence, StealitBack will return the merchandise, free of charge.



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Students with expensive gadgets can now take steps to get them back if they are lost or stolen by going to a new website, stealitback.com

Prutuo.com offers prizes for best creative portfolio

Protuo.com, the new Web-based career portfolio management service, is offering Amazon.com shopping sprees to those who join Protuo and employ its easy-to-use templates to produce and submit the three digital career portfolios judged as the most creative and effective.

The top winners -- selected by Protuo's senior staff -- will receive Amazon gift certificates worth $1000, $500 and $250 dollars and their digital portfolios will be prominently featured as exemplars on Protuo's homepage. All Protuo's features are free for job seekers until March 30th, 2007 when the contest ends.

The increasingly essential online portfolios offer an advantage over standard two-page resumes because they enable job applicants to "show" recruiters and human resource executives their talents, experience and qualifications rather than "tell" them. In just minutes, Protuo members can design and assemble impressive digital portfolios that may include such illustrative items as letters of commendation, performance evaluations, certificates, pictures, recorded speeches and even video clips. The content of a Protuo-created portfolio is limited only by the imagination and resourcefulness of its creator.

Protuo members also benefit by completing a survey that defines their ideal job and employer. Developed in collaboration with human resource experts, the survey, similar to those used by social networking Web sites such as eHarmony.com, is evaluated in real-time using a weighted average that compares a job seeker's qualifications to the specific requirements of recruiters and corporate personnel offices. The results are instantly communicated to both parties. Additionally, Protuo career portfolios are automatically posted on 270 job boards including Monster, CareerBuilder and HotJobs among others.

At this time Protuo is free for job seekers until March 30th, 2007. Normally, becoming a Protuo member entails a onetime set-up charge of $9.99 and a monthly fee of $4.99. For more information, visit www.protuo.com.

Coffeeshops starting to be sued for allowing artists to play cover songs during shows

By MIKE LENGEL
Flashlight Writer

Everyone remembers a few years ago, hearing the news that legendary heavy metal band Metallica had filed a lawsuit against Napster, marking the birth date of the uprising of musicians against free file sharing. Obviously, the lawsuit did nothing, as millions of people worldwide use different file sharing networks today.

The debate today has shifted from downloadable music to live music.

According to The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP), "Whenever music is performed publicly the songwriter and music publisher who created and own that music have the right to grant or deny permission to use their property and to receive compensation for that use." Because of this claim, coffeehouses and bars across the country are being sued for allowing musicians and bands to play covers if that venue does not have the proper license.

ASCAP isn't the only company cracking down. Music licensing companies like Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI) are also hunting unlicensed venues. This isn't limited to coffeehouses and bars. Any public place which allows a performance of a copyrighted song without a license is liable to be fined. For example, the Girl Scouts of America was sued in 1996 for singing "This Land is My Land" and "God Bless America." It even goes as far to say that Chuck E. Cheese could be sued for allowing families to sing "Happy Birthday" inside the restaurant.

"It's outrageous," said Jes Ricker, owner of Night and Day Coffee. "It's not something that's new. It's been around a long time – it's just that now there's more pressure to crack down on the little guys."

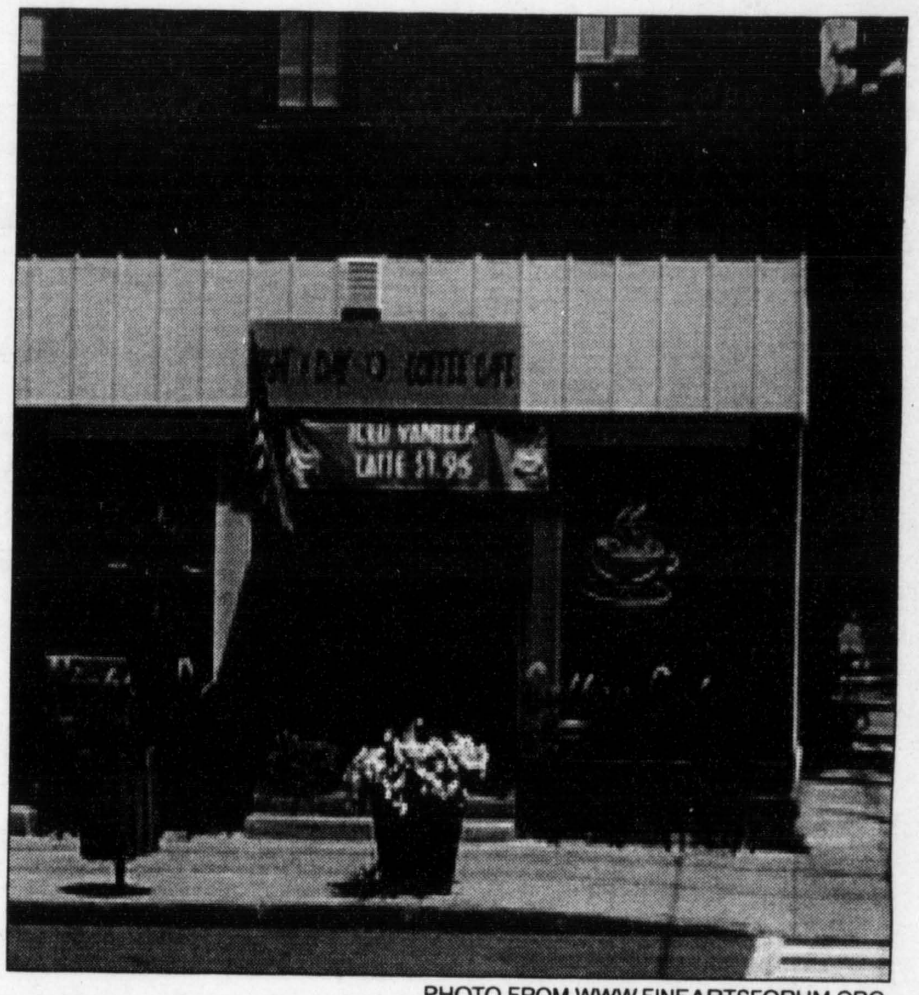
Night and Day and Greens and Beans, which opeates as a partnership in the same building, are one of the many coffeehouses that have been contacted by ASCAP about not having a license and allowing musicians to play covers.

At first under the impression that no music at all was allowed to be played at the venue, Ricker and Sky Haney, owner of Greens and Beans, cancelled the acts scheduled for the following 9 months. "We had a lot of explaining to do," Ricker said, "It hurt the routine more than anything. It wasn't the money we were losing, but the awareness we were losing in turn."

When it was cleared up that only original music was allowed to be played, Night and Day was asked to pay a fee of about $400 a month, which adds up to about $4800 a year. This cost, with the relationship of performances per month for Night and Day, comes down to about $35 per show. "It's not kicking back to the community," Ricker said. She feels the policy contradicts itself because playing covers is "what helped musicians to find their own style."

After a coffeeshop in Liberty, PA, was sued for about $4000, they did an all day music fundraiser, all original songs, of course, to help pay the fine. Ricker and Haney were inspired by this action and decided to do their own fundraising. Now, once a semester they try to put on an all original forum with local musicians to raise donations so they can afford to pay the fees in order to have musicians play covers. "We could just do all originals, but it's asking a lot of the musicians to not play some of their favorite songs," Ricker said of the fundraising.

Other coffeehouses and music venues around the area were, such as the Soulful Cup of Elmira, NY, which has gone all original, were contacted. Ten West Espresso, the other coffeehouse in Mansfield, has not been contacted or approached in their ten years of existence by the license oppressors. Ricker put some of the blame of Night and Day being contacted on the venue's MySpace page, claiming it acts as a kind of bait for the bigger fish. Ten West does not have a MySpace page.



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The Fine Arts Forum, which holds shows at venues such as the Night and Day Cafe in downtown Mansfield, has been holding shows to raise funds for the fees it costs to have musicians play covers.

For more information regarding the ASCAP licensing regulations, visit www.ascap.com. For performance dates and samples of music from artists involved in the Night and Day fundraising, you can visit the sponsor's MySpace page, www.myspace.com/finearts forum. To pitch into the fundraising, check out local artists, and check out upcoming shows and performances, visit www.fineartsforum.org.

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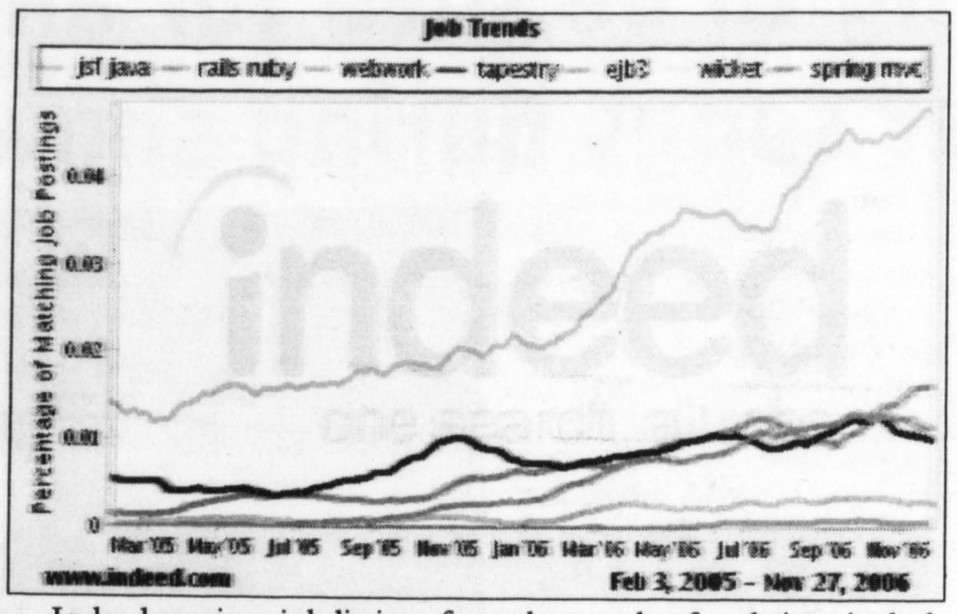

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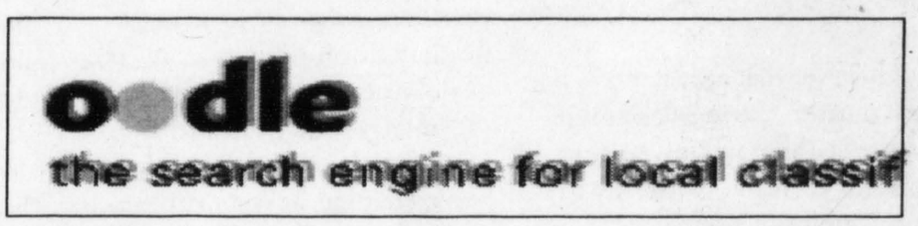

Oodle is an online classified ads site. It brings together listings from your area and will put together thousands of classifieds. It was recently dubbed PC Magazine's website of the week.

Job.com offers services such as Reference Checking where users can employ a service that will check to see if former employers are bad-mouthing them. It also has a career test where users can "uncover their dream career."

Job-hunt.org claims to give only the best job websites, as most other job search engines do. Job-hunt does not collect resumes, have job postings or post job openings for employers. Instead, users will find lists of links of web job sites where a user can search for a job and leave a resume and websites that provide information and support useful in job searching.

Jobster.com allows access to over 2 million jobs from more than 115,000 employers. Jobster finds information on the companies directly from the people who work there. The site will also track which employers you have contacted.

CareerBuilder.com is owned by several newspapers (Knight Ridder, Tribune and Gannett) and includes classified ads from more than 200 markets in electronic format. It attained CareerPath in 2000 and HeadHunter in 2002, and have an estimated 900,000 jobs from 25,000 employers.

Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"

University students "celebrate" Martin Luther King Jr.

When most students think of honoring and celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. Day they think of forums, speeches, maybe even vigils or marches.

However that apparently is not what comes to the minds of some students at Tarleton University in Texas and Clemson University in South Carolina.

The way that they chose to honor and celebrate the iconic civil rights leader is with malt liquor, dressing up in offensive costumes and getting drunk.

At Tarleton University students drank malt liquor out of brown paper bags, ate fried chicken, carried handguns and wore gang apparel along with afro wigs. One student, that can be seen in the picture to the far right, even dressed as Aunt Jemima.

The photos were discovered by the NAACP chapter president at Tarleton on facebook.com. The president of Tarleton University denounced the students actions and an investigation has been started into the party. The party was actually started several years ago by an African American student Tracy Williams. Williams said that when the party started there was no theme, it was just to honor Dr. King.

The apparent host of the party released a statement stating that the party wasn't meant to be "racist or discriminating."

The fact that the students didn't think this party and the photos were discriminating or racist is probably the most absurd thing I've ever heard. These students took a day in history that is meant to honor a man and took pot shots at every African American in this country. They took every typical sterotype and personified it. Which if you don't consider it to be racist it is most definitely ignorant. These are educated college students acting like little children.

Granted theme parties have and always will be very popular on college campuses. But there is a huge difference between the typical theme party and this MLK party, basically that of disrespect. The ignorance that the students display goes hand in hand with disrespect in this case. Disrespect for Tarleton university for not considering the consequences it would have on the university. The obvious disrespect they have for the holiday if they consider that party to be a celebration of the day and disrespect for every African American in this country.

Just a few days after the discovery of this party another southern university was put in the public eye for the same reason.

Students at Clemson University held a "Living the Dream" party that is eerily similar to the party held at Tarleton.

The students at this party dressed in baggy clothes, wore fake grills and gold chains. One picture, seen below, shows a young white male that painted himself black. The women in the photo with him stuffed the back of her sweatpants to accentuate her "curves."

Perhaps the most offensive picture from the "Living a Dream" party is a spray painted poster of Martin Luther King Jr. that shows a speech bubble saying "Drink more," as if that were Dr. Kings ultimate message to the generations to come.

I feel if Dr. King were still alive today this is the exact thing that he would fight and speak out against. It just proves that in todays world no matter how far we think we have come as a society there will always be people, like these students, that are holding us back.

Some people might agree with the students, say there was no harm done and they didn't mean it to be racist, well that is completely unacceptable. People should know better.

For all we know there could be thousands of parties like this going on across campuses nationwide, but these two groups of students were the only ones foolish enough to take pictures and get caught.

However at both universities the majority of the students have been speaking out against these so called "celebrations" of Dr. King. Saying that these students don't represent the universities as a whole.

I am just happy to say that Mansfield University students celebrated Martin Luther King Jr. day as it should be celebrated. Students and faculty gathered together and honored the man and all he did and they shared their experiences with racism and discussed how far this country has come in battling racism.

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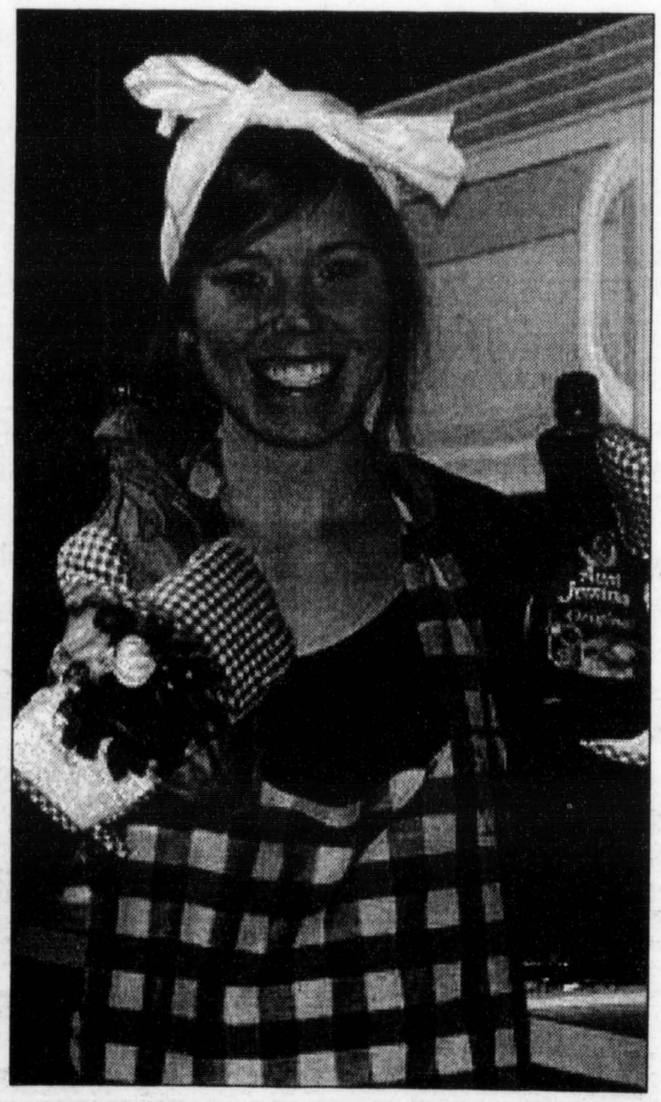

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Letter to the Editor:

Students should supports teachers

My name is Chris Pollitt and this message is being sent from the Commonwealth Association of Students (CAS); which is the student union of all of the 14 public universities in Pennsylvania that incorporate PASSHE.

The Association for Pennsylvania College and University Faculty (APSCUF), which incorporates our faculty and coaches, are negotiating their contract with our chancellor, Judy Hample, and the Board of Governors. They have dealt with these problems, and almost striked, from 1996 to the present. The problem is getting together and arriving upon an agreement. However, many of our faculty believe that they aren't being listened to. Pat Heilman, former APSCUF president, believes that these negotiations could be dealt earlier in the school year.

"Why are we always in the eleventh hour, on the brink of a strike before we actually get a settlement?" I was a part of a student led coalition to find out answers to these problems in Harrisburg; this was in 2003 and our teachers were about to strike. We hopped on some buses and met outside of their meeting. They would not see us and they would not talk to us. This form of cowardice should not be present on those that serve us. Our teachers are not asking for much. Many of their issues coincide with ours. These include: smaller class sizes, discarding the idea of replacing distribution courses for online classes (which would sever the connections of the student teacher relationship), being in control of their curriculum, salaries that are competitive to other schools in our state, control of the faculty that are hired, and keeping certain departments alive.

Recently in Edinboro, our Physics department has been swallowed by the Chemistry department (we have to share a secretary and we don't offer a BS in Physics anymore), our Philosophy department has only 4 professors this semester (which, in 2003, we had 9), and our Foreign Language department is shrinking like a frighten turtle; Foreign Language departments were the biggest departments on campuses back in the 50's when the United States was looking toward strong foreign relationships, now they are the smallest. The issues that they (our faculty members) are seeking are not much to ask for: like, for instance, medical benefits and job security.

When the Presidents and the Chancellor of our state schools get pay raises, shouldn't we honor the ones who teach us with these same incentives? Isn't this a case of Enron politics, where the CEOs make out and the shareholders lose?

I'm not asking for people to riot or seeking to cause problems. I'm merely asking for all of us to support our teachers in the upcoming negotiation process. It used be the case, when schools were first founded, that individuals pitched together enough money to hire a professor to come to their town and teach them knowledge. There weren't any administrators, there wasn't a Chancellor or a Board of Governors or Presidents, and there didn't exist the endless red tape that one has to go through to fix any mistake that the financial aid office throws at them. There was simply students and teachers. Without our teachers, our Universities would not exist. Please, support those that help you realize your full potential; the Teachers.

Sincerely,
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Quote of the Week

Life is either a daring adventure or nothing.

~Helen Keller

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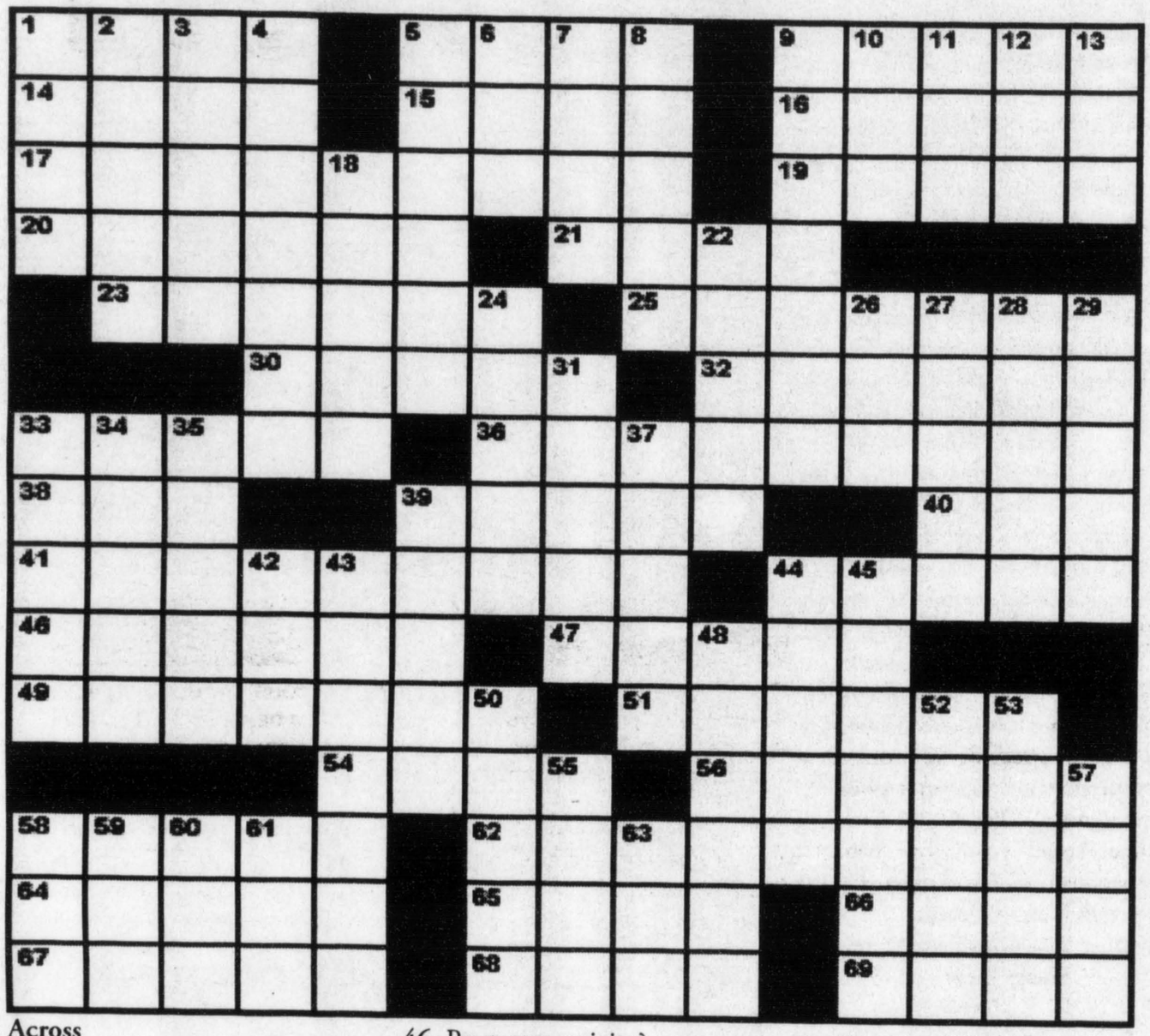

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32. Like Eeyore
33. Spring flings
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54. Story about a beginning
56. Long or short shirt portion
58. Fruit hair
62. Enlarger
64. Atlantic or Pacific
65. Like Peter, Paul and Mary
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68. Building additions
69. Becomes hard

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6. Yours and mine
7. Rod adjunct
8. Total
9. Clot
10. Appropriate
11. Nothing, nada
12. Genetic material
13. The hoped for answer, often
18. Yoga conditioning
22. Mixed up gongs
24. Not even once
26. Neither partner
27. Hair-dos
28. Electronic message
29. Author - Playboy of the Western World
31. Dawn
33. Braids
34. Rajah's wife
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37. One candle power
39. First name in female VP candidates, 1984
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43. Apparent
44. Big soup spoon
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50. National subdivision
52. River of Forgetfulness
53. Turn inside out
55. Toss, as a lunch
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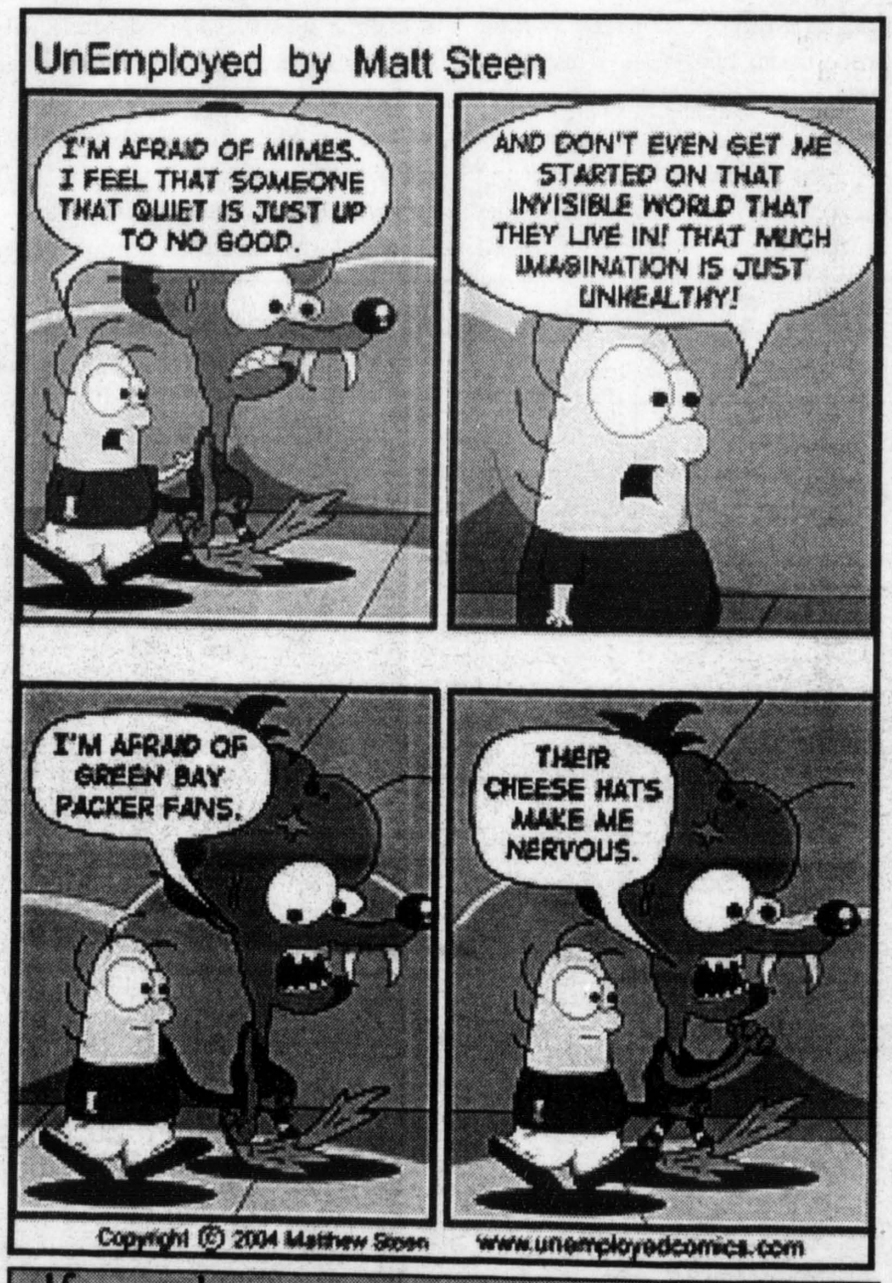

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Big Fred on Sports: Super Bowl XLI should provide football fans with an exciting finish to the 2006-2007 NFL season

By CARL FREDERICK
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

It has sadly come to that time of the year. No I am not knocking the Super Bowl in any way, but everybody knows that around 11 p.m. something upsetting is occurring. It is the end of another season in the National Football League. What this means is that we diehards have to wait another five months until we can see any football again. I realize there is the pro bowl and Arena Football, but I am talking about real football (no disrespect to any Arena League fans). All crying aside let me breakdown what could potentially be an entertaining Super Bowl match up.

Indianapolis Colts

The Colts are going back to the super bowl for the third time as a franchise, but it is the first time they have made it since moving the team from Baltimore to Indianapolis. You have to go back to the year 1971 when rookie kicker Jim O'Brien nailed a game winning 32-yard field goal with five seconds left, giving the Baltimore Colts the 16-13 victory over the Dallas Cowboys. This is the franchise's only super bowl victory.

This year's team has had an up and down season. Indianapolis stormed out of the gate winning their first nine games before finally dropping a close decision to the Dallas Cowboys on the road 21-14. The wall would only get bigger as the Colts would drop three out of their final six games, finishing the season at 12-4.

The defense would continue to get exposed by the run with the low-point coming when journeyman running back Ron Dayne would rush for 153 yards on 32 carries. This was the same Ron Dayne whose best game to this point was back when he won the Heisman Trophy for the University of Wisconsin. Lead by Dayne the Houston Texans went on to upset Indianapolis 27-24.

Even though the Colts made the playoffs, nobody (including me) was giving them a chance. Not only was their defense not performing well, but everybody knew of Peyton's previous poor playoff performances.

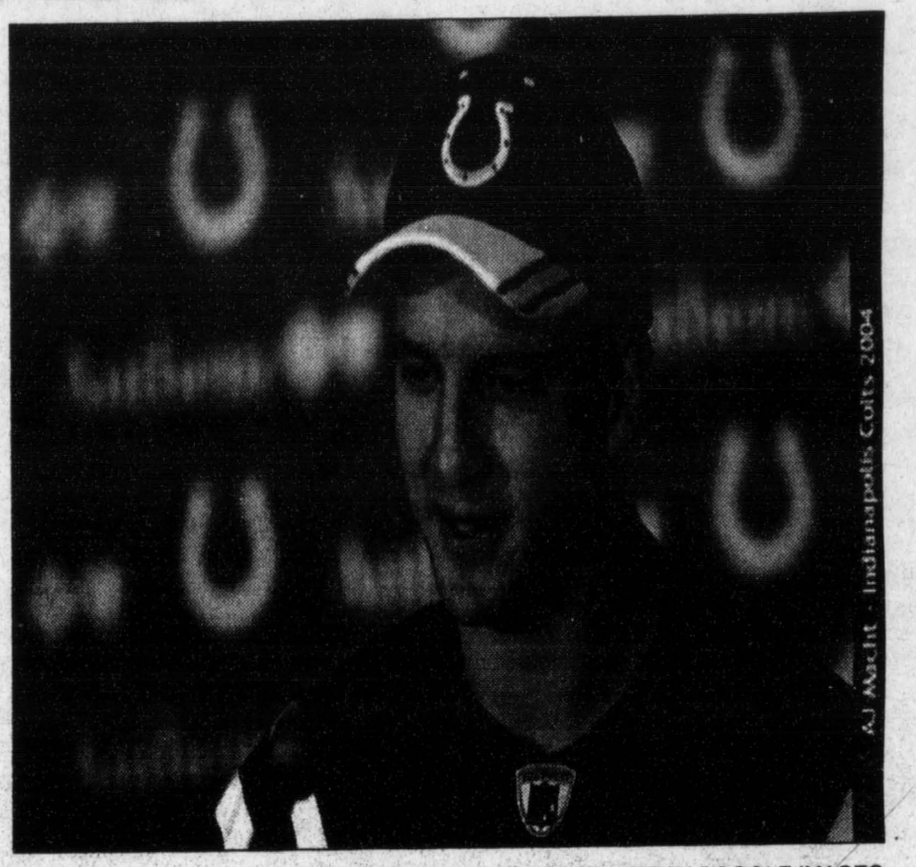
The defense would answer its critics, pulling out a fine overall playoff performance by holding the Kansas City Chiefs and the Baltimore Ravens to one touchdown combined. Peyton Manning would also silence his critics, as he led his team to a come-from-behind victory over the arch-rival New England Patriots.

Offensively Indy is as potent as ever. Despite losing Pro-Bowl running back Edgerrin James this off-season, rookie Joseph Addai has filled in nicely averaging 4.8 yards per carry. Marvin Harrison continues to be the most overlooked wide receiver in football, constantly drawing double teams, while Reggie Wayne could very well be the number one receiver for several teams. Tight end Dallas Clark is very underrated. Despite only playing in nine regular season games, Clark notched four touchdowns while averaging over 12 yards a reception. The offensive line, although solid, can be exposed by teams with quicker pass rushers as was the case against New England this year and Pittsburgh last year.

As I said earlier the Colts' biggest weakness coming into this game is their run defense. The return of safety Bob Sanders has helped significantly, but New England and Baltimore were still able to find holes to run through. They didn't gash Indy, but this is still a weak point for them.

Dwight Freeney, who had a disappointing regular season, has returned to form collecting two sacks and creating several double teams. Cato June is their playmaker at linebacker, recording over 160 tackles this season. The secondary is solid with Bob Sanders and Antoine Bethea at the safeties and Jason David and Nick Harper at the corners.

The biggest off-season acquisition may have been in the form of former New England Patriot kicker Adam Vinatieri. The Colts signed the the former super bowl hero, who has been perfect this post-season.



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Peyton Manning had always been critizied for not being able to win the big game. Going back to his days at Tennesse, Manning has tended to struggle. He will have his chance to silence his critics this Sunday.

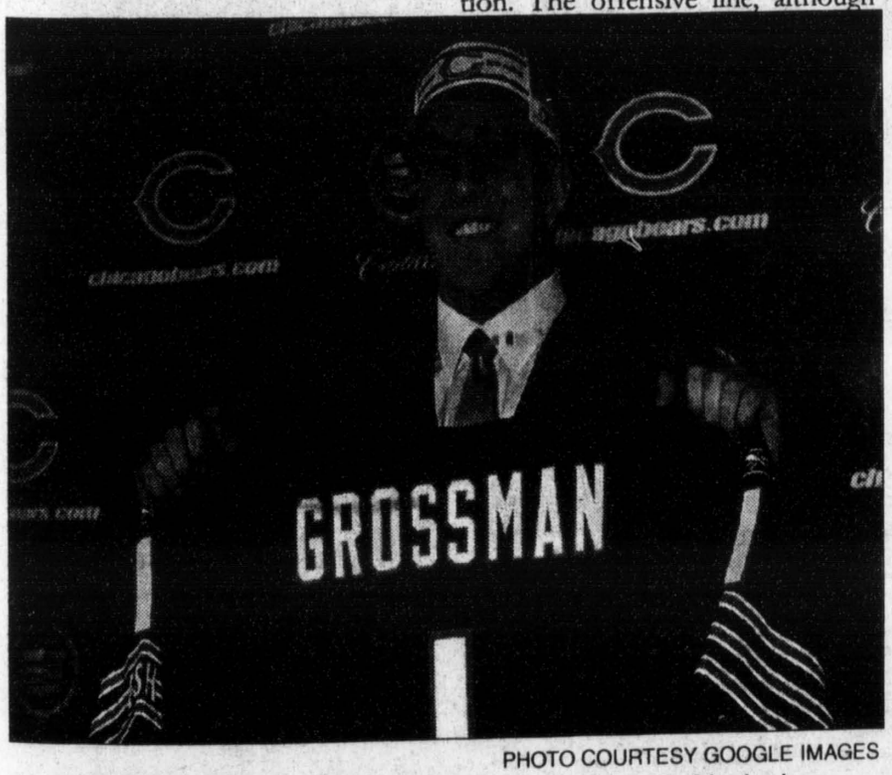
Chicago Bears

The NFC Champion Chicago Bears are making their trip back to the Super Bowl for the second time in franchise's history. Their first came back in 1985 when they thrashed the New England Patriots 45-10. That team was lead by one of the most dominating defenses of all-time and future hall of fame running back the late Walter Payton.

Since then the Bears haven't had a whole lot to cheer about, until finally reaching the big one this season. Chicago also started the season off on a roll winning their first seven games. Through those first seven games bears fans had little to worry about until a Monday night visit to Arizona.

Chicago won the game but one thing was made clear, quarterback Rex Grossman wasn't perfect. Grossman has had an up and down season throwing 23 touchdowns and 20 interceptions. To put it nicely when Grossman is good he is good, but when he is bad, he is bad!

Throughout the rest of the season, Grossman would have his ups and downs, but his team was good enough to finish the season 13-3. Chicago's defense has been often compared to dominating one of 1985. Led by all-world middle linebacker Brian Urlacher, this defense at times gives opposing offenses nightmares.



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Since Grossman was drafted out of the University of Florida, he has struggled with injury problems. This has been his first full season for Chicago and it has been an up and down one. Grossman is being labeled as the worst super bowl quarterback of all-time. Despite this head coach Lovie Smith has stood by through the good, the bad and the ugly.

Although dominating the injury bug has struck them in recent weeks, losing both defensive tackle Tommie Harris and safety Mike Brown both went down with season ending injuries. Since both players have gone down, there has been a significant difference in the run defense. Several teams including the Seattle Seahawks were able to run very successfully against Chicago.

In the NFC championship against the New Orlean Saints, the bears were able to control the one-two punch of Reggie Bush and Deauce Mccalister. Defensive ends Marq Anderson and Adewale Ogundele were able to reak havoc on quarterback Drew Brees as the bears were able to come out with the victory.

Offensively Chicago has a tough offensive line led by center Olin Kreutz. Kreutz and company have plowed the way for the combo of running backs Thomas Jones and Cedric Benson. Both backs were able to run over,under around and through New Orleans.

The receivers have been consistent with Mushin Muhammad being the possesion guy and Bernard Berrian being the teams deep threat. Like Indianapolis, Chicago has their own underrated tight end in Desmond Clark, ranking third on the team in receptions.

Chicago's special team gem has been rookie returner Devin Hester. Hester has had a record breaking year reeling in 6 returns for touchdowns.

The Breakdown

Indianapolis may look to attack Chicago early with the run, forcing them to put more defenders in the box. This would then open up Harrison and Wayne, which could spell doom for the bears.

Don't be surprised if Chicago tries to establish the run early and often, so they can keep from Grossman from making early mistakes. When Grossman plays with confidence, he is a decent quarterback,. He can't get rattled early or it could be over.

Prediction

The Colts come into this game a seven point favorite. Many people believe that the AFC is superior to the NFC and that this game could be a blowout in Indy's favor. I disagree. Lovie Smith is far to good of a coach to let that happen, and defensive coordinator Ron Rivera should be able to come up with something to slow down Peyton Manning and company.

It is hard to root against either team because of their head coaches. If you read Toby's two cents last week, you would know how inspiring both coaches are.

Being an NFC guy, I am pulling for the Bears, even though I think Tony Dungy deserves it. Lovie Smith has taken a bear franchise that was sinking fast, all the way to the top.

That being said I still feel it is the Colts time with them coming out on top 27-24. Manning will finally be able to shake off the demons of the past and will finally be compared to the great quarterback of the past.

On the sidelines with Kevin Hill: Starting forward and leading scorer for the Mansfield men's basketball team

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Copy Editor

Looking back to last season, Kevin Hill averaged 2.3 points per game. Fast forward to this season, Hill is averaging 14.1 points per game. Hill has quickly become a scoring threat for the Mountineers. I asked him some questions to get to know the player who has assisted the Moutineers in their goal to win in conference play.

Danelle Miller: What year are you and what is your major?
Kevin Hill: I'm a junior and my major is liberal studies with a minor in business and communications.

DM: Why did you choose the major you're in?
KH: Because I couldn't find one subject that I wanted to spend all of my time on.

DM: Where is your hometown?
KH: I grew up right here in Mansfield.

DM: What made you decide to attend Mansfield University?
KH: I liked the idea of being close to my family.

DM: When did you begin playing basketball?
KH: I can't remember not playing basketball. I have pictures where I would be throwing a ball in the air in the crib as a baby.

DM: What is your motivation during the season?
KH: To be the best player on the court. I want to be the best and the guy the other team is afraid of when I get the ball.

DM: How do you prepare for a game?
KH: I usually watch some inspirational movie like Rocky or I'll watch some game film to get a better feeling about that night, but then it's onto the iPod to relax and get focused.

DM: Do you feel any pressure because you are playing for your hometown?
KH: Yeah, I feel like I have a lot of people watching me each game and hoping I do well, but I try not to think about it once the game starts.

DM: How do you think the team will finish?
KH: The team is really playing together right now and we have some great chemistry on the court. Our goal is to make it to the PSAC final four and win it in the end, one game at a time.

DM: What are some awards you have earned for basketball?
KH: In high school I achieved 1,000 points in two years, 1st team all conference junior and senior year, and a couple of tournament MVP's.

DM: What have you learned from basketball that you will take with you into the future?
KH: It's in my personality to be the best at whatever I do, so probably my work ethic. That will probably stick with me.

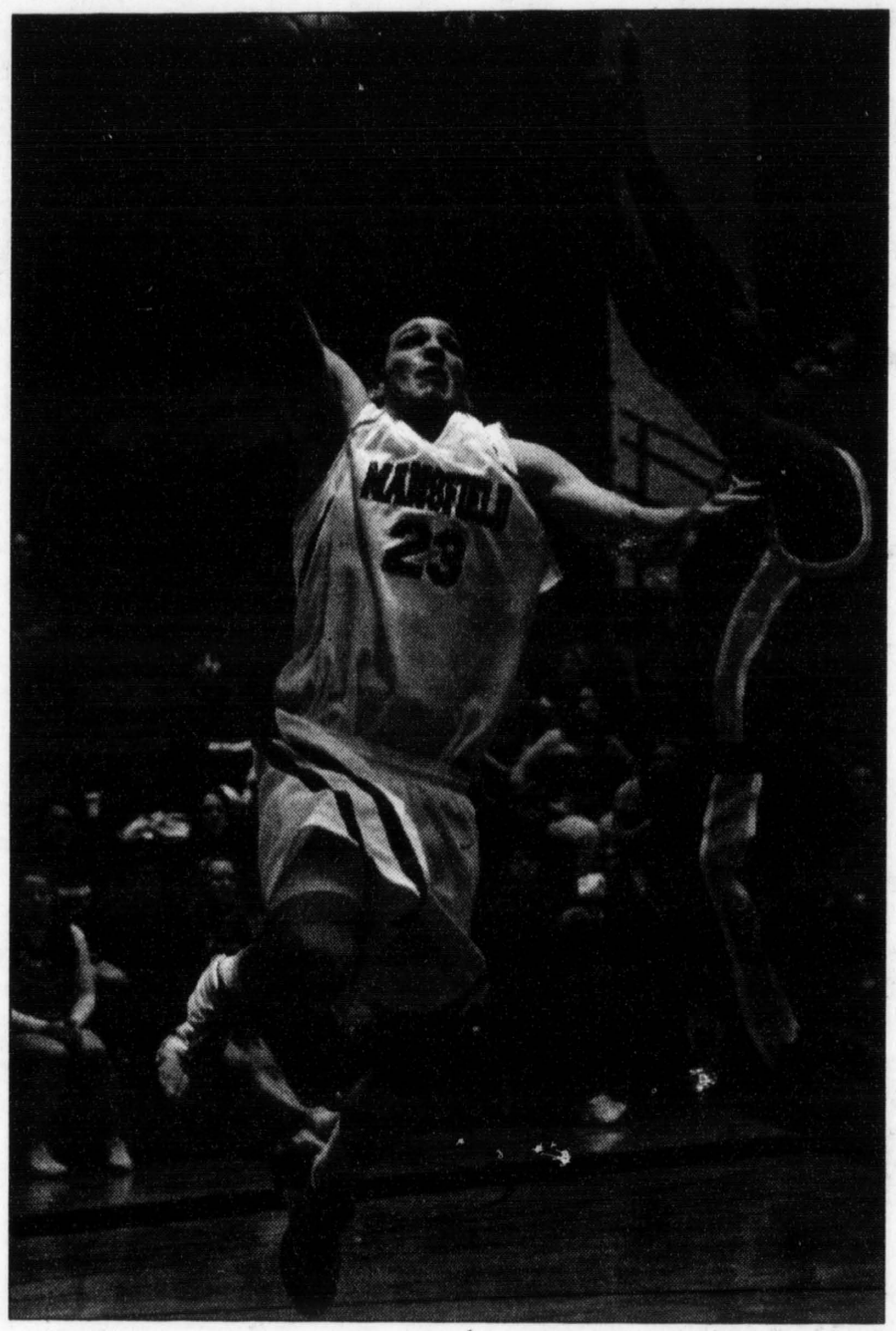
DM: Do you have a coach that has inspired you or helped you to become a better player?
KH: In 7th to 9th grade a former player, Tyrone Fisher, was my coach. He was always positive and I respected his knowledge about basketball.

DM: Do you have any collegiate or professional basketball teams you look up to?
KH: No teams stand out to me.

DM: Any players in particular?
KH: Pete Maravich, Michael Jordan, Adam Morrison, and Dwayne Wade.

DM: What is your favorite sport besides basketball and why?
KH: I love baseball. I grew up playing baseball before basketball. I love pitching, knowing that I have total control over the game, but that was high school.

DM: Are you a part of any other athletic teams at Mansfield?
KH: No, I could have played baseball, but things didn't work out with the coach.



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Junior Kevin Hill has had a breakout season for the Mountaineers, averaging over 14 points per game. The hometown hero has been one of the deadliest threats from beyond the three-point line, shooting over 43 percent. Mansfield wil be relying on Hill as PSAC play continues. They will need his scoring if they want to make another run towards a PSAC Championship.

Every two minutes someone, somewhere, is sexually assaulted. It is happening at the workplace, in schools, on college campuses, in places of worship, in our neighborhoods, and, yes, in our homes. For more information on this epidemic that is sweeping through our nation please contact HAVEN at (570)724-3549

Mountaineer women drop two straight to conference rivals West Chester and East Stroudsburg: Fall to 3-2 in PSAC East play

By PATRICK LAHR
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield Women's basketball team took to the road this week hoping to extend their five game winning streak. They were also looking to improve on their 3-0 record in PSAC East play.

The Mountaineers first traveled to West Chester on Saturday.

Mansfield had a tough time getting going against the Golden Rams' pressure defense in the first half. Despite turning the ball over 16 times, the Mountaineers went into halftime only down eight points, 32-24. They made some locker room adjustments and came out running in the second half.

The Mountaineers were able to close the gap to one point, 40-39 just six minutes into the second half. Jessica Uhrich sparked the offense, scoring six points in that span. West Chester answered the Mountaineer comeback with a 4-0 run. Mansfield was able to answer back with a 6-0 run of their own to take their first lead of the game, 45-44.

The Golden Rams were able to regain the lead and held it at 53-52 with 5 minutes left in the game. West Chester then ripped off a 10-0 run that ended with 1:34 left to play that would prove insurmountable. The Mountaineers would only be able to close to within 7 of the Golden Rams, losing by a final score of 70-63.

Head coach Ruth Hermansen knew exactly what to point to when talking about the loss. "Turnovers," Hermansen said. "We turned the ball over 29 times. You cannot win when you don't take care of the ball."

Mansfield's turnover problems were compounded by West Chester's shooting from the line. The Golden Rams were 22-25 for the game and 11-12 in the last five minutes of the game. The Mountaineers were led by Uhrich, who scored 15 of her game-high 19 points in the second half. She also grabbed ten rebounds to notch her 11th double-double of the season and the 28th of her career. Courtney Brooks was the only other Mountaineer to score in double figures, putting in 12 points while grabbing 3 steals. Clarissa Correll added eight points off the bench, while Brittany Reed and Emily Akins each scored seven points.

The loss snapped Mansfield's five game winning streak and put them at 3-1 in the PSAC East and 10-8 overall. The Mountaineers traveled to East Stroudsburg on Monday, Jan. 29 looking to return to their winning ways.

The match up had big implications for the PSAC East standings. East Stroudsburg was in first place and undefeated coming into Monday night's match up. If the Mountaineers could pull out the win they would be tied for first place midway through the season.

The Warriors started the game hot, opening up a 13-6 lead in the first five minutes. They continued their fast start expanding their lead to 25-10 on Alyssa Antolick's 3-point basket with 11:20 left in the half. East Stroudsburg was able to maintain their double digit lead, going into the half up 42-31. The Warriors shot 59% from the field and Antolick, who came off the bench, scored 19 points in the first half.

East Stroudsburg expanded their lead to 51-35 four minutes into the second half until the Mountaineers finally started to close the gap on the Warriors. Mansfield went on a 7-0 run that ended on Merissa Gaeta's jumper with 7:31 to go in the game. The run cut the lead to 62-57, but it was as close as the Mountaineers would come.

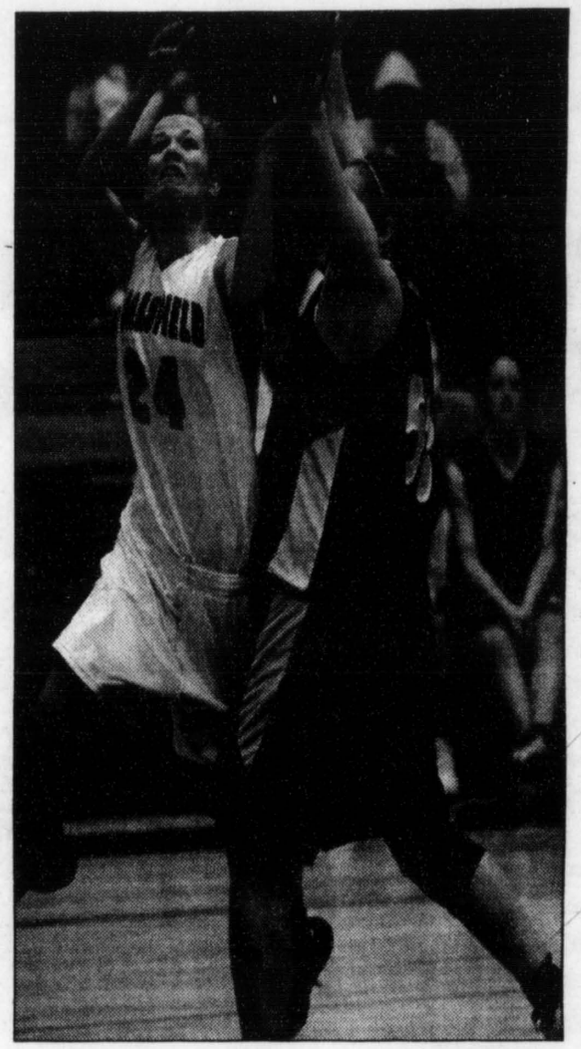
Jessica Uhrich was again a bright spot in a tough Mansfield loss. She recorded her fifth consecutive double-double, the 13th on the season and 29h of her career. Mallory Hafer put up 17 points and closed to within three of the school record for three-point baskets in a season. Courtney Brooks and Clarissa Correll also scored in double digits, chipping in 14 and 11 respectively.

The Mountaineers return to Decker Gymnasium on Wednesday, Jan. 31 to take on the Bloomsburg Huskies. Tip-off for that is set for 5:30 p.m. They then travel to Millersville on Saturday, Feb. 3.

The Lady Mountaineers took down the Marauders earlier this season at Decker Gymnasium. Game time is set for 1 p.m. at Pucillo Gymnuasium.

Mansfield is 10-9 overall and stands at fourth place in the division.

All of th e action can be heard live on WNTE 89.5 the Giant and the MSA Sports Network. Paul Overwise and Carl Frederick will be providing the entertainment.



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Emily Akins has recorded 10 starts in 19 games this sesason. She is third on the team in rebounding grabbing down just a shade under four rebounds per game. She will be a key contributor as the Lady Mountaineers strive for their first ever PSAC East division title.

Mansfield Track & Field leaves lasting impression at Penn State Open: Junior Dave Sanford finishes 11th in the 800 with a personal best time

By Eric Bohannon
Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University track team was at Penn State University for the PSU National open this weekend. Despite being one of only two division two schools in the meet, the Mountaineer runners more than held their own.

Junior Dave Sanford ran a personal best time of 1:53.97 in the 800 meters to post a NCAA provisional qualifying mark. This means Sanford is eligible for the National finals meet in Boston. Sanford won his race, was 11th overall and was the top division two finisher in the event. Sanford is now ranked second in the conference in the 800 meters.

Nicole Dann ran a 5:07.oo mile to break the school record by more than five seconds. The time is her personal best by 16 seconds. "She ran a great race," said Head coach Mike Rohl. "She has the confidence to know she can run well and the experience she gets with each time out she keeps on getting better and better," Rohl added. Dann is first in the conference in the mile by more than six seconds.

Rachel Hall is leading a different lifestyle than most collegiate athletes this semester. She student teaches all day, and when the school day is over gets to track practice about an hour later than everyone else. This has not stopped Hall from running great times. Hall ran an 18:10.72 in the 5,000 meters and finished in 10th place in the unseeded division.

"She is adapting well under tough circumstances," Rohl said. Despite the rough schedule, Hall is still first in the conference in the 5,000 meters.

Bryan Morseman also ran the 5,000 meter race and ran a personal best time of 14:57. He just missed the school record and is the number one runner in the conference in the 5,000 meters. "That was his best race he ever ran for me, he was relaxed and he ran a great race," Rohl said. Morseman,like the rest of the Mansfield runners, finished ahead of some division one athletes. Morseman finished ahead of runners from James Madison, Syracuse, Pittsburgh, Princeton and Penn State to name a few.

Katrina Brumfield came in 12th place in the high jump. Brumfield is already an NCAA provisional qualifier and the number one high jumper in the conference. "She struggled a little bit with the faster runway so her timing was off a little bit but she got adjusted and is now prepared for the future," Rohl said. Rohl was very excited with his athlete's performances, "these individuals have been great team leaders throughout the whole year and they continue to improve," Rohl added.

The next event for the track team is the New Balance Collegiate Invitational in New York City. Mansfield has twelve members of the team qualified for that event.

While half of the team will be in New York City, others will be competing in the Cornell Invitational. That meet will be held on Feb. 3.

Next week the Mountaineers will be competing on Valentines day, when they head out to Boston, Mass. They will be competing in the Valentines Day Invitational .

Mansfield will look to qualify more members into the PSAC championship, which is less than a month away.

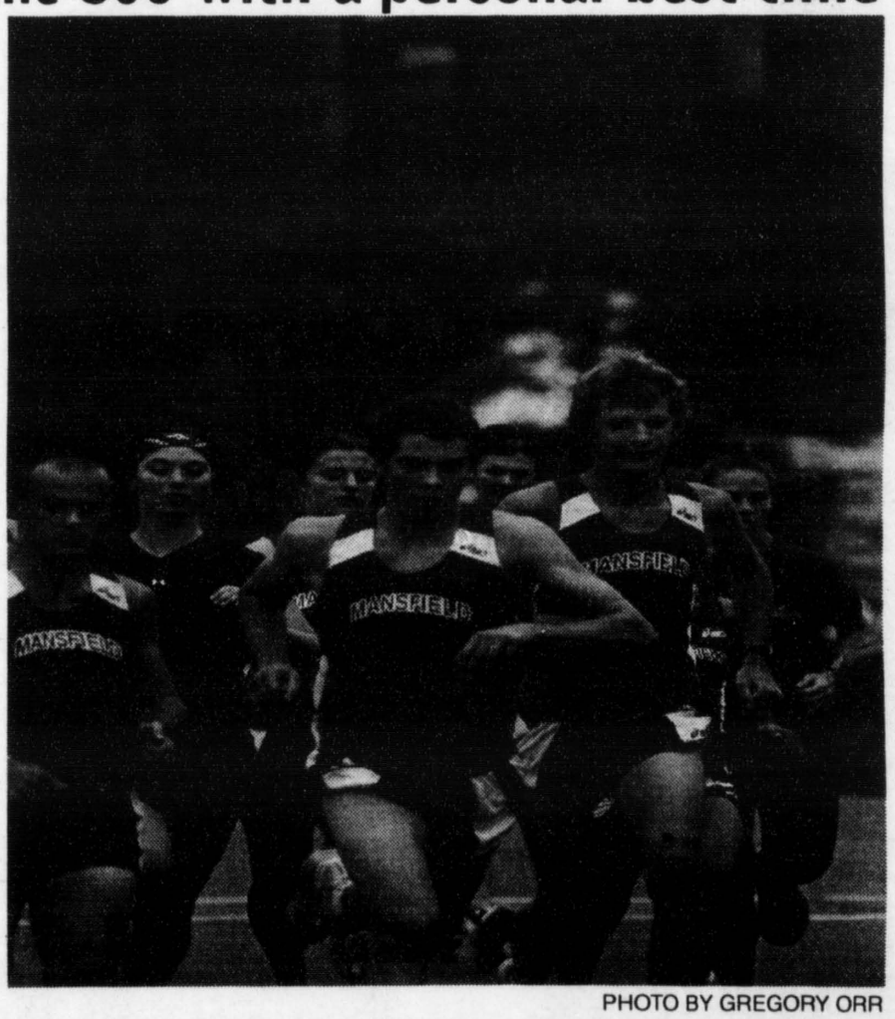

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR

The Mansfield University track & field team was one of two dvision two schools competing at the Penn State Open. This would not phase the Mountaineers, as they would have several athletes place in several differrent events. The distance runners certainly made their presence felt, with strong showings in almost every long distance event.

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MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY ❖ VOLUME 89, ISSUE 2 ❖ THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2007

Mountaineers lose three straight: Chris Greene and Terrance Williams score career high 29 and 22 in losses

By PAUL OVERWISE
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield Mountaineer's followed their four game winning streak with a three game losing streak. The Mountaineers went 0-3 in three games this week including two conference losses. Mansfield now sits at 6-13 overall and 2-3 in conference play.

The Mountaineers returned home for a non-conference game against Pitt-Johnstown on Wednesday night. The game was back and forth throughout. Pitt-Johnstown seemed to have the game in hand when John Hampton hit a runner to tie the game at 72 and send it to overtime.

In the extra session Quinton Davis, who had three points in regulation, hit three consecutive three point baskets in overtime. Mansfield cut the lead to three, but Terrance Williams missed a jumper from the corner that would have tied the game. Pitt-Johnstown held on for an 86-82 victory.

Chris Greene scored a career high 29 points to go with his six assists and four steals. John Hampton chipped in 17 and Kevin Hill had 15. Chris Gilliam scored 31 points for Pitt-Johnstown. He went 11-12 from the foul line and 10-12 from the field. The loss snapped Mansfield's four game winning streak.

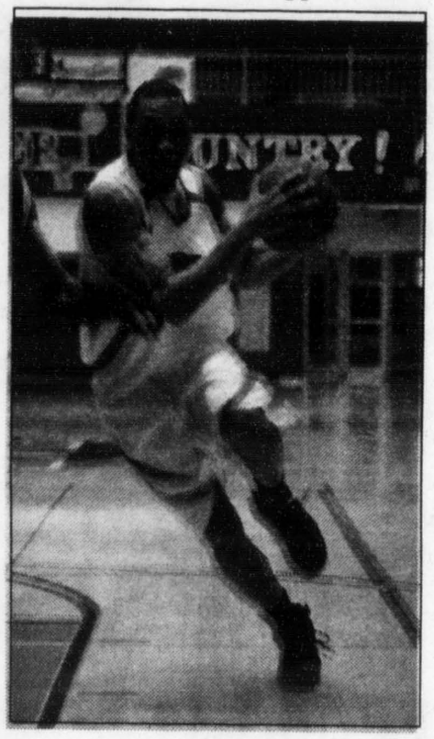

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
Terrance Williams enjoyed three double digit scoring performances last week, but none of them lead to wins for the Mountaineers.

The week continued with a trip to West Chester for a conference game against the Golden Rams. The Mountaineers came out strong against West Chester and lead by as much as 13 in the first half. They finished the half up by nine, 37-28. The Mountaineers shot very well in the first half, especially from long distance, while the Golden Rams never got things going.

The second half was a different story. West Chester went on an 8-0 run to cut the lead to one. Then the game was back and forth until West Chester went on another run to take a ten point lead with four minutes left. Mansfield made a furious comeback to cut the lead to three with a minute left, but West Chester would go 5-6 from the free throw line to hold off the Mountaineers and get the win, 74-65.

Terrance Williams lead Mansfield in scoring with a career high 22 points. Chris Greene added 18 points and 4 assists. Aaron Williams had 22 points and 16 rebounds for West Chester, who outrebounded the Mountaineers by ten in the second half alone to help seal the win.

Mansfield traveled to East Stroudsburg on Monday night to take on the Warriors. Mansfield played a good first half to take a halftime lead, 29-23. The Mountaineer defense had the perimeter locked down over the first twenty minutes, holding the Warriors without a three-point basket.

East Stroudsburg made all the right halftime adjustments and opened up the second half with a 13-0 run and never looked back. The Mountaineers, who had no trouble with the Warrior press in the first half, could not solve the pressure defense in the second half. East Stroudsburg lead by as many as twenty before winning game the game by a final score of 76-58.

John Hampton had 16 points for Mansfield, while Williams followed up his career high 22 point effort with 15. Jovoun Webb had 11 points and 7 rebounds off the bench.

Turnovers plagued the Mountaineers, especially in the second half. They had 14 second half turnovers, which they could not offset with their three point shooting. The Mountaineers shot just 20 percent from behind the arch in the second half. East Stroudsburg was led by Jimmy Evans, who scored 19 points.

Mansfield will be back in action Wednesday, Jan. 31 against the Bloomsburg Huskies before traveling to Millersville to take on the Marauders on Saturday, Feb. 3.

PSAC Standings (as of 1/30/07)

Millersville	18-2 (4-1)
Cheyney	11-10 (4-2)
West Chester	11-7 (3-2)
Kutztown	13-6 (2-3)
E. Stroudsburg	12-6 (2-3)
Mansfield	6-13 (2-3)
Bloomsburg	9-10 (1-4)

Coming up in Mountie Sports

Jan. 28	29 Women's Basketball 5:30 p.m. @ East Stoudsburg Men's Basketball 7:30 p.m. @ East Stroudsburg	30	31 Women's Basketball 5:30 p.m. vs. Bloomsburg Men's Basketball 7:30 p.m. vs.Bloomsburg	Feb. 1	2 Indoor Track @ Field @ New Balance Invitational Feb. 2-3	3 Women's Basketball 1 p.m. @ Millersville Men's Basketball 3 p.m. @ Millersville
4	5	6	7 Women's Basketball 6p.m. @ Kutztown Men's Basketball 8 p.m. @ Kutztown	8	9 Indoor Track @ Field @ Valentines Day Invitational	10 Women's Basketball 1 p.m. vs. Cheyney Men's Basketball 3 p.m. vs. Cheyney

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Famed profiler visits criminal justice class

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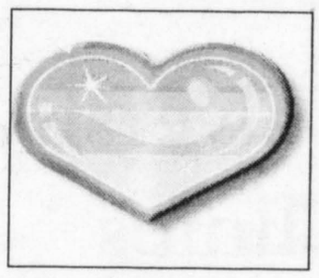

Happy Valentine's Day!

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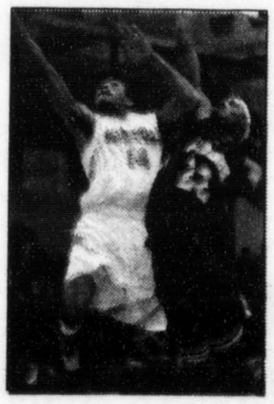

Mens basketball shoots for playoffs

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Today's Weather
PM Snow Showers

High- 22°F
Overnight Low- 5°F

Information taken from weather.com

Music department suffers unavoidable blow: music therapy program terminated

By REBECCA HAZEN
Flashlight Writer

The music therapy program at Mansfield University is getting terminated by the administration due to financial reasons.

The music therapy program provides valuable education to students about working with children and adults who require music therapy as part of treatment for behavioral, psychological and/or physical disorders.

The program was cut due to criticism of low enrollments. Also, expanding the music therapy program would require finances that do not fit into the school's budget. Dr. Michael Renner, Mansfield University's provost, is saddened by the loss, but feels that it was something that had to be done. In the statement that was sent to the music department, he said, "President Loeschke and I are both strong supporters of the Music programs and will work with the Music Department to strengthen and improve support for the other music programs."

Renner hopes that everyone will understand the reasoning behind the decision, and he has the therapy student's best interests at heart. "I hope the music therapy students will stay, whether to finish the program or by changing into some other major. They are a terrific bunch, and they have shown their class by how professionally they have conducted themselves at this time," Renner said.

Dr. Adam Brennan, head of the music department, says he is facing a sad reality. "While I understand needs to balance budgets, I am incredibly disappointed. One of the Music Department's greatest assets was having the option of music therapy," Brennan said.

The university is obligated to see the students through the remaining years of their studies, but it is a different story for new students. Eighteen freshmen had auditions lined up, but Dr. Brennan had to call them and offer them other options. The majority have declined.

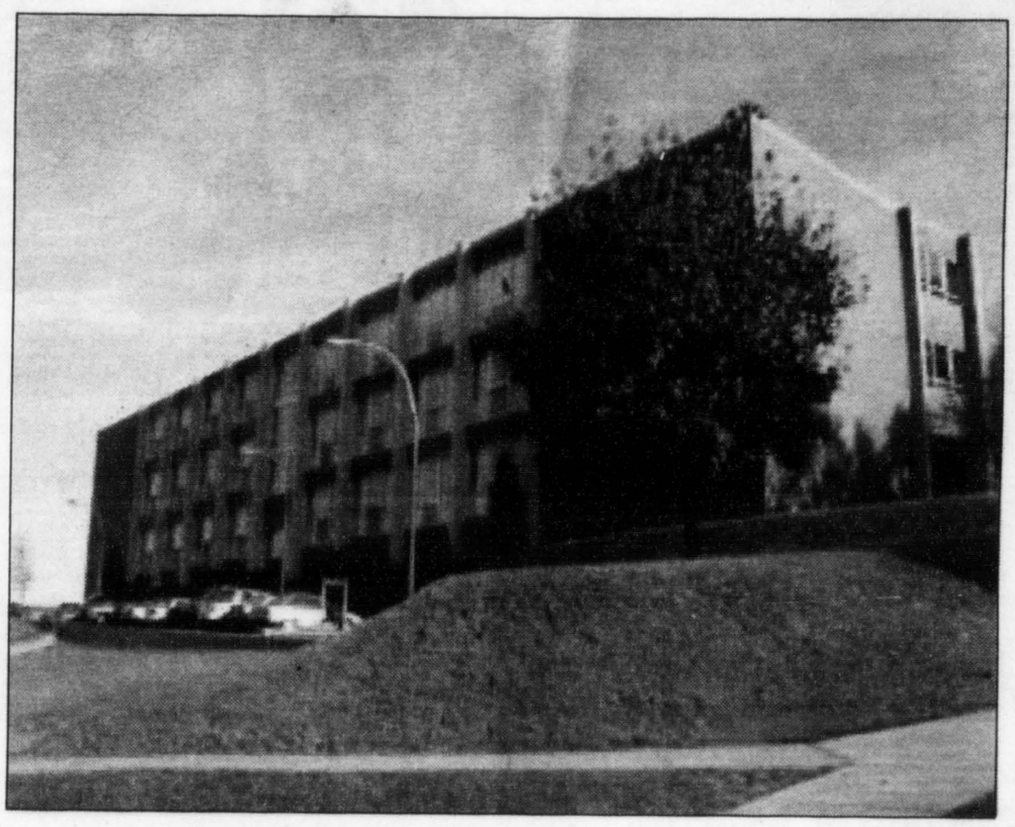

PHOTO FROM MANSFIELD.EDU
The halls of Butler Music Center will no longer be accepting new music therapy students. The program is being terminated because of low enrollment numbers and financial issues.

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Search for new Mansfield University Director of Residence Life underway

By ANDREW OSTROSKI
Flashlight News Co-Editor

Students and faculty had the opportunity to speak with the four leading candidates for the position of Director of Residence Life last week.

The four candidates are; Director of Student Affairs at Syracuse Univeristy Roy Baker, Housing Director Chuck Colby from the University of Tulsa, Director of Housing David Craig from Oregon State University at Corvallis, and Vicki Schreiber, the Director of Housing at Texas A&M International. The candidates participated in talks at the university between Monday, Jan. 29 and Monday Feb. 5. Each separate visit involved both in-depth conversations with members of the university's faculty, as well as any members of the student body who wished to attend. Candidates also met with resident and graduate assistants from each dormitory.

The search for a new director of residence life comes after Thomas Hulme, the previous director of residence life at Mansfield, suddenly resigned from his position in late August to return to his native South Dakota. The position has been vacant since October, and an interim staff has been in place until a new director is decided upon.

The open forums for students and staff alike took place in the North Hall employee lounge. Candidates addressed questions and concerns from attendees, as well as stated their own ideas for the dormitories.

Chuck Colby, who visited Mansfield last Wednesday, brought big ideas from a larger school. Colby, who works currently at the University of Tulsa and has also worked in the past at the University of North Carolina's Charlotte campus, said that he preferred working at a small school rather than a larger one.

"Working on a smaller campus is a much more pleasant experience than working on a larger one," Colby said. "You get to know the staff and students, and they're all very supportive of each other."

Colby brought the ideas of integrating more commuter students with the dormitories to the table. He proposed that there be space set aside for commuter students in the dormitories so that they may do their own work or even sleep between classes if they have to instead of leaving campus only to return a few hours later. Other things addressed were foreign language floors, as well as other themed floors.

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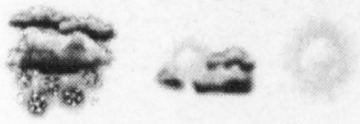
Weekly Weather



TODAY

Cloudy

High: 33 Low: 22

FRIDAY

Snow showers

High: 24 Low:11

SATURDAY

Snow

High: 22 Low:9

SUNDAY

Few snow showers

High: 25 Low:10

MONDAY

Snow showers

High:27 Low: 6

TUESDAY

Few snow showers

High: 25 Low: 19

WEDNESDAY

Sunny

High: 31 Low:18

Information taken from www.weather.com

Police Beat

January 25, 2007 - Theft - Unknown person or persons removed a Panasonic PT Projector from room 113 of Elliot Hall, sometime between January 23rd and January 25th. If anyone has any information about this incident, please contact the Mansfield University Police Department.

January 16, 2007 - Burglary and receiving stolen property- Skyler Austin, 19, and Jonathan Moore, 21, were charged for a string of burglaries in the Cedarcrest dorms. Charges were filed in District Court 04-3-03 Mansfield.

Paid Internship in Harrisburg for Fall 2007

- Work with state agency or legislators and receive stipend roughly equivalent to a semester's tuition, room and board – Gain valuable experience and contacts. Must be a junior or senior with a GPA of 3.0 or better.

For more information contact Dr. Lee Wright at ext. 4787 or come to 309 Hemlock.

SGA Update

This week in SGA, a new organization titled the Rugby Union Club came in to have their constitution approved. Headed by Bijan Mnavizadem, the club plans to join the Eastern Pennsylvania Rugby Union to play against other schools as well as independent clubs. SGA will meet next week to vote on the adoption of the Rugby Union Club as a campus organization.

Student Government also approved Committee on Finance's decision to fund the Student Activities Organization's (SAO) spring semester activities. SAO's will be bringing a concert starring Emerson Drive, a Psychic Fair, and a Mardi Gras celebration this semester. The date for these events as of now is to be announced.

SGA President, Marisa Syznal announced the Organizational Fair being held February 19 on the third floor of AHUB.

The executive board also announced the "Big Event" being held on April 14, 2007. The "Big Event" is a day reserved for many campus organizations to host a community service projects all throughout the day. This allows Mansfield University to join the other state schools who have also decided to join other state schools who have chosen to participate in the "Big Event."

For questions, comments, and concerns SGA invites students to stop by the office located at 321 AHUB Student Center between the hours of 11am and 4pm. During office hours students have the opportunity to voice their opinion to various SGA senators and executive board members.

The next meeting will be held Monday, Feb. 12 at 9:15 pm in room 317 AHSC.

Femi Ogundele

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

•Southern Tioga Little League Board Meeting

Open meeting to include anyone from Mansfield, Blossburg or Liberty interested in the STLL. All board members, managers, coaches, parents and umpires are invited. No children allowed.
Sunday, Feb. 11 at 6 p.m at the Mansfield University Decker Gym-2nd Floor classroom.

•Mansfield University Baseball Clinics

On the campus of Mansfield University

Hitting – February 11, 18, March 4
Pitcher/Catcher- February 11
Preseason Skills Players and Coaches- February 18
For more information call 570-662-4457
or 570-662-7273 evenings, or visit: www.gomounties.com.

Profiler who consulted on Jack the Ripper case speaks to enthralled audience

It was standing room only for Associate Professor Scott Thornsley's Introduction to Criminal Justice class on Thursday. Students, faculty, staff, reporters and others jammed into a Retan Center classroom to hear famed profiler Richard Walter speak.

Walter, a criminal psychologist and profiler, who has helped solve several high profile cases nationally and internationally, did not disappoint. He kept the crowd enthralled with details of some of cases he has worked on.

Walter talked about his recent consultation with Scotland Yard on what may the ultimate "cold case," Jack the Ripper. He believes Montague John Druitt, a friend of Prince Albert Victor, a popular suspect, is the true culprit.

Walter also spent time taking the genre of current TV hit shows based on profiling and forensics to task. "These idiots think that the answer lies in minutia," he said.

Then, speaking directly to the students, he added, "Learn as many facts as you can but factual information without assignment of value is meaningless."

Jesse Tyler, a junior from Montrose, PA, was among those listening intently. Tyler, whose father is a friend of Walter, helped arrange for his visit to Mansfield.

Tyler knew Walter was highly respected in law enforcement circles but he didn't realize how big a figure he was until he mentioned him to Thornsley.

"I didn't know he was as big a deal as he is," Tyler said. "Then I talked to my father and talked to Dr. Thornsley and we looked at some of the cases he's been involved with."

"It's an incredible opportunity," Thornsley said of having Walter speak to his class. "Not only does he have a national reputation, he has an international reputation."

Walter was accompanied by Michael Capuzzo, publisher of Mountain Home magazine and a four-time Pulitzer Prize nominated author who lives in Wellsboro.

Capuzzo is writing a book about the Vidocq Society, a group based in Philadelphia that helps solve "cold case" homicides and unsolved deaths of which Walter is one of the founders.

"Michael Capuzzo has indicated an interest in coming back to speak once his book is published," Thornsley said. "We've made a couple new friends and Richard Walter may come back due to his relationship with Michael, so we got two for the price of one today."

Capuzzo's book, Angels of Vengeance, is due to be published in 2008.

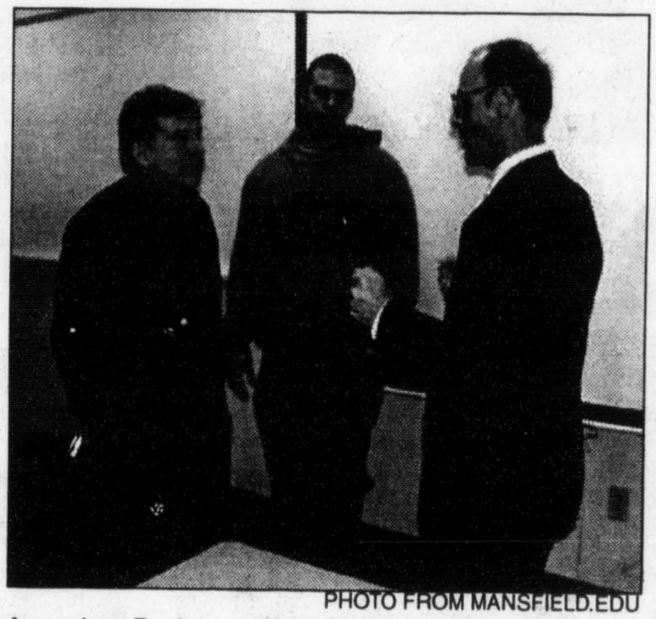


PHOTO FROM MANSFIELD.EDU

Associate Professor Scott Thornsley and MU junior Jesse Tyler talk with Richard Walter after his presentation to Thornsley's class.

Symphony Orchestra to present several favorites at Steadman in performance

The Mansfield University Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Kenneth Sarch, will perform a program of well known and popular symphonic favorites on Sunday, February 18 at 7 p.m. in Steadman Theatre.

The concert will open with the Frescobaldi Toccata, a powerful work transcribed from the organ repertory to display both the discipline and the power of a full symphony orchestra.

Then follows the energetic and engaging Roumanian Rhapsody of Georges Enesco, a work based on the folk dance traditions of Eastern Europe, where the music becomes faster and faster ending in a whirlwind of brilliance.

Copland's Outdoor Overture, a work that displays each section of the orchestra with brass, string, woodwind and percussion solos, and lively and rhythmic themes, will also be featured The finale of the program will feature the Mansfield University Symphony concertmaster Christine Attanasio as the solo violin in the Saint-Saens Danse Macabre.

"This piece requires the violin soloist to retune the upper string so an interval of a diminished fifth is featured – what is known as 'the devil's interval,'" Sarch said. "These varied selections should prove to be a real crowd-pleaser of a concert."

The Mansfield University Symphony Orchestra, composed of talented string, woodwind, brass and percussion students, has a variety of talent and backgrounds among its members.

The Symphony Orchestra has been heard to wide acclaim throughout the Commonwealth as well as in New York. It has performed at the State Capital in Harrisburg, Lycoming and Corning Community Colleges, Coudersport, Elmira, Hanover, Johnstown, Altoona, Horseheads and Williamsport. Sarch is professor of violin and viola and conductor of the Mansfield University Symphony Orchestra. He is also concertmaster of the Williamsport Symphony Orchestra.

Sarch has conducted orchestras internationally in Panama, Jordan, Brazil and Bolivia. A two-time Fulbright Scholar, he spent six-months in Bolivia in 2003, where he formed the new Orquesta Sinfonica Juvenil de Santa Cruz and served as its first conductor. His violin recitals and orchestra presentations were nationally televised.

In the same year he was awarded the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association's "Citation of Excellence" in Music Education at the College / University Level. Sarch is the author of The Twentieth Century Violin and the Dictionary of Bowing and Pizzicato Terms. His music is published by Kjos Music in California.

Tickets for the concert are $10 for adults, $5 for senior citizens, students and children, and can be purchased online or by calling (570)662-4710 or at the door. Admission is free to MU students, faculty and staff with ID.

Mansfield to host regional horn workshop, concert

By CARRIE GOODYEAR
Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University Music Department will host a horn workshop on Sat. Feb. 17 and Sun. Feb. 18.

Dr. Rebecca Dodson-Webster is the French Horn professor. "Each year, the International Horn Society Hosts regional workshops across the United States," Dodson-Webster said.

Thomas Bacon, well known recording artist and teacher, will be a featured soloist with the Mansfield University Jazz Ensemble. The concert will be held Sat. Feb. 17 and the Jazz Ensemble will be under the direction of Dr. Michael Galloway.

"This will be an exciting opportunity to hear a world-renowned soloist performing jazz selections, several of which were written specifically for him," Dodson-Webster said.

A second concert will be held at 3 p.m. on Sun. Feb. 18 featuring the Mansfield University Symphony Orchestra, directed by Dr. Kenneth Sarch and the Concert Wind Ensemble, directed by Dr. Adam F. Brennan.

There will also be clinics that will be held by Bacon and other various artists attending the two-day workshop. Bacon will be presenting a clinic entitled "Practice Smarter, Not Harder" at 2 p.m. on Sat. Feb. 17. There will also be clinics that focus on yogic breathing led by Kathleen Thompson of Main Street Yoga, and a session on the Alexander Technique.

All of the concerts and clinics are free and open to the public. The concerts will be held in Steadman Theater and the clinics will be held in Butler Music Center.

'SEARCH'

At the same meeting, Colby asked students in attendance their opinions of the dorms. The common statement was that the residence hall experience was generally pleasant. One commuter student even voiced his desire to move back onto campus.

Resident assistants and graduate assistants were also given the opportunity to meet with candidates. Janene Diehl, the RA of Cedarcrest 2B, attended the Thursday meeting with David Craig, along with floor leaders from several other locations.

Diehl reflected on a proposed discipline policy from Craig, specifically his disagreement with a fines system that is currently in use.

"(Craig) feels that these systems are not 'right' for every student," Diehl said. "His view on discipline is that he talks with the student to find out why they did what they did and what should be done to help them."

No other meetings with officials have been announced as of this time. Additionally, no official statements regarding the search have been made since the candidates visited the campus.

'MUSIC'

Emily Vermillion, Erica Ferguson and John Green, all music therapy students at Mansfield, had their own opinions about the administration cutting the program.

"It is something you work so hard for, and it feels like they are taking that away from us," Vermillion said.

"I wish they could have told us more. Like give us details of how much money the program cost to run, and the budget of the school. I wanted to see some numbers," Green said.

All three of the students felt the program was targeted because of it seemingly being small.

"We are a small program, but not the smallest," Ferguson said.

Vermillion, Ferguson, and Green are all planning on finishing their current music therapy courses, and then transferring over to a different school. "I have already made arrangements to transfer over to Slippery Rock University. You've got to do what you've got to do," Green said.

UPCOMING MUSIC AT BUTLER MUSIC CENTER:

Jazz ensemble with the X-Ray Big Band-
8 p.m.- Saturday, Feb. 10

Horn workshop and wind ensemble concert
3 p.m.- Sunday, Feb. 18

Symphonic band concert- 3 p.m.- Saturday, Mar. 3,

Mansfield University lecture series gets musical on campus

by ISAAC PRAGLE
Flashlight Advertising Editor

The Faculty Lecture Series will feature a Musical Showcase on at 4 p.m. on Feb. 13 in room 307 Alumni Hall Student Center.

The showcase will feature several faculty members and students presenting on accomplishments of the music department over the past year that were made possible through the Faculty Development Grants.

Mansfield faculty members Dr. Joseph Murphy and Matt Slotkin, otherwise known as Duo Montagnard, will perform "Les Trios Soeurs," an original piece composed for them by Charles Stole. The piece features Dr. Murphy on saxophones and Dr. Slotkin on guitar. The piece, which is about the Canadian Rockies was first performed at the World Saxophone Congress in Slovenia in July.

Duo Montagnard is a French phrase that is literally translated as two mountain men. The name also reflects the type of music the two play, since most of their pieces are about the mountains.

The event will also feature Peggy Detwiller and members of the Mansfield Concert Choir discussing their recent success of performing at the Inaugural Conference of the National Collegiate Choral Organization held in San Antonio, Texas in November.

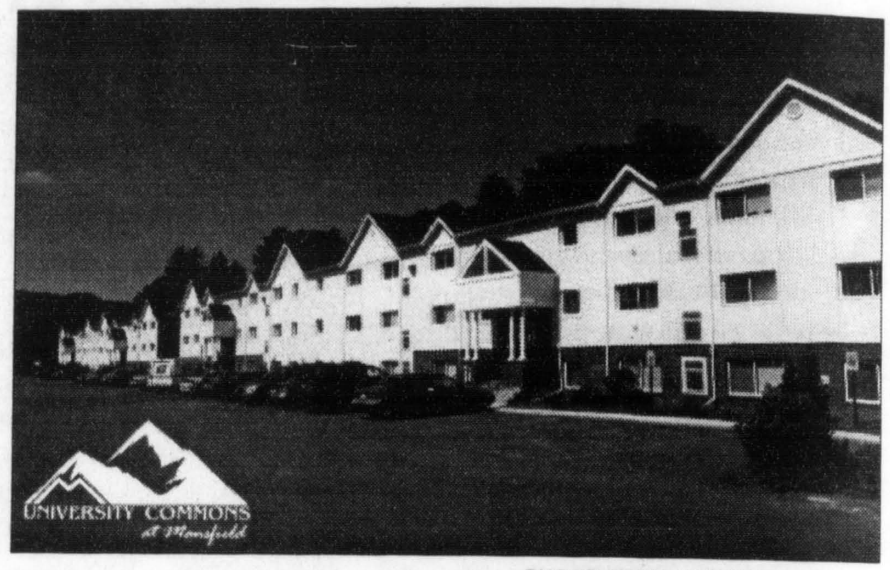
Rounding out the event will be Dr. David Wetzel and the members of the elite Mansfield University Clarinet Consort. They will present several short selections that were performed while on their trip to Edinburgh, Scotland in May.

UPCOMING LECTURES:

TUESDAY, FEB. 20
"Reversing the Decline of the Eastern Bluebird; What Can You Do?"
307 AHSC

TUESDAY, FEB. 27
"Madonnas of the Disappeared: Poems In Response To Works of Art that Examine the Sacred Feminine as Exemplified in Mary of Nazareth, Revealing Mary As Both Flesh and Blood Woman and Icon."
AHSC 317

Amidst financial woes, Commons to consider expansion



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Current owners of the University Commons are considering expanding across their lot, even as financial problems plague the complex.

By MIKE LENGEL
Flashlight Writer

Contrary to rumors around campus and in agreement with The Flashlight's previous article, The University Commons will remain open.

In fact, they are currently in the process of improvement. Such improvements include accessories for the recreational room and renovations on the parking lot.

Michelle Ward, property manager of the Commons, said she was "just as shocked as anyone else" when she heard of the transfer of the apartments to new ownership.

"It hasn't changed ownership completely yet, but they've been granted an extension to fill up the empty apartments," said Ward.

The "they" she refers to is Ron Laessig, who is the owner of the Commons. There are plans in the making of building a new complex, located in the lot across from the current buildings, but the current ones must fill up first.

The university hired John Walsh, who works with other universities on housing issues, to help fill up the Commons. He plans to meet with the university housing office about lowering the credit hour standards of students seeking to move off campus.

Tenants were sent letters over the winter break to help explain the issue, but according to such residents as Troy Cobaugh, "it doesn't make much sense. It didn't seem like it pertained to me, but more towards the owners of the apartments."

The new ownership, once it goes through, will not have any effect on the students living there, nor will it affect the prices for the current tenants. However, prices may go up in the future.

V-Day Mansfield University 2007
A Production of Eve Ensler's
"The Vagina Monologues"
As Part of the V-Day College Campaign
TWO PERFORMANCES ONLY!
at North Manser on Feb. 15 and 16, 2007

Who: Students of Mansfield University
What: V-Day Mansfield University 2007, a benefit production of Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues," raising funds for HAVEN of Tioga County and the ARC of Bradford County

Goal: To raise awareness to stop violence against women and girls and funds for our beneficiaries – HAVEN of Tioga County and the ARC of Bradford County

What is V-Day? V-Day is a global movement to end violence against women and girls that raises funds and awareness through benefit productions of Playwright/Founder Eve Ensler's award-winning play "The Vagina Monologues." In 2006, more than 2700 V-Day events in 1150 communities and colleges took place in the U.S. and around the world. To date, V-Day has raised over $35 million and educated millions about the issue of violence against women and the efforts to end it, crafted international educational, media and PSA campaigns, launched the Karama program in the Middle East, funded over 5000 community-based anti-violence programs, reopened shelters, and funded safe houses in Kenya, South Dakota, Egypt and Iraq.
The 'V' in V-Day stands for Victory, Valentine and Vagina.
What is the College Campaign? The V-Day College Campaign strives to empower women to find their collective voices and demand an end to the epidemic levels of violence and abuse on their campuses, in their communities and around the world. Through benefit productions of "The Vagina Monologues" that take place between Valentine's Day (Feb. 14) and International Women's Day (March 8) they raise money and awareness to stop violence against women and girls. The proceeds from these events are donated directly to local organizations in the community that are working to stop this violence.

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Event: beyondthewall poster sale in AHSC game room, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Continues on Friday.

Friday, Feb. 9

Music: 7 p.m. Conducting Symposium Steadman Theatre

Saturday, Feb. 10

Music: 8 p.m. Jazz Ensemble Concert with the X-Ray Band, Steadman Theatre

Sunday, Feb. 11

Music 12 p.m. Alyssa Eddings and Heather Singley, Junior Trumpet/Flute Recital

Music 5:30 p.m. Therapy Improvisation workshop with guest Sera Smolen.

Monday, Feb. 12

4 p.m. -5:30 p.m. Faculty Lecture Series Event 307 Alumni Student Center; Music Professor's Joe Murphy & Matt Slotkin; Peggy Dettwiller and members of the Mansfield Concert Choir; & Professor David Wetzel & members of the MU Clarinet Consort.

7 p.m. Black History Month Program: Panel discussion entitled, "Focus on Africa: Current Affairs", featuring professors from MU and Bloomsburg University and MU students. Room 307 Alumni Hall Student Center.

Tuesday, Feb. 13

11:45a -1 p.m. EWABO CARIBBEAN TRIO Steel Drum Band; Jazzman's Food Court area of Alumni Hall Student Center.

Wednesday, Feb. 14

7:45 a.m. Cultural/Spiritual trip to Monastery in Horseheads, NY. Meet van outside of Laurel.

8 p.m: V-Day Mansfield 2007 benefit performance of Eve Ensler's play, "The Vagina Monologues" takes place in North Manser.

What in the World News in a Flash

By ANDREW OSTROSKI

Flashlight News Co-Editor

WORLD NEWS

LONDON, England- Russia, Japan, South Korea, Hong Kong, South Africa, Indonesia and Ireland have all placed restrictions on poultry from England after strains of the deadly H5N1 were found in turkeys on a farm in the eastern part of the country. Moscow and Tokyo were the first to place sanctions on the importing of British poultry; Ireland followed suit, placing softer restrictions on importers. Since the discovery of the virus, thousands of other birds on the farm have been gassed. Britons have been assured that no infected poultry has reached their shelves. The strain of H5N1 avian flu that was discovered in Holton has been blamed for the deaths of 165 people worldwide since 2004.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden- The world's oldest newspaper, published since the 1600s, no longer exists in a paper format. Post-och Inrikes Tidningar, in print since 1645, has been in an internet-only form since the beginning of the year. The paper, which was started by Sweden's Queen Kristina as a way to keep her subjects appraised of the happenings in her government, is now owned by the Swedish Academy, which is also known to award the Nobel Peace Prize for literature. The newspaper has a circulation of only 1,000, and now prints mainly legal and business happenings. Post-och Inrikes Tidningar will continue to be the world's oldest newspaper, as it is still considered to be a newspaper even if it is in digital form.

ATLANTA, Georgia- The Dalai Lama, the Tibetan spiritual leader, will be taking up a new role at an American college; he has been named a presidential distinguished professor at Emory University in Georgia. The Dalai Lama, who has been living in India after being exiled from Tibet in 1959, will lecture and privately teach Emory students and faculty in the university's study-abroad program in Dharamsala, India. He is also slated to make trips to the main campus in suburban Atlanta. This is the first university appointment that the Dalai Lama has taken. He is also the 1989 recipient of the Nobel Prize for Peace.

LOCAL NEWS

QUEENSBURY, New York- The captain of a tour boat that capsized and killed 20 tourists has been indicted along with the company that owned and operated the boat. Shoreline Cruises and Captain Richard Paris were named in the indictment for the 2005 incident on Lake George. Twenty elderly sightseers were drowned when the boat, believed by the NTSB to be rocked by waves from another passing boat, flipped over. The stability of the ship, which was manufactured in 1966, was compromised over the years through renovations and repairs. The NTSB claims that the passenger amount was too much for the craft. 47 passengers were on the Ethan Allen at the time of its capsizing.

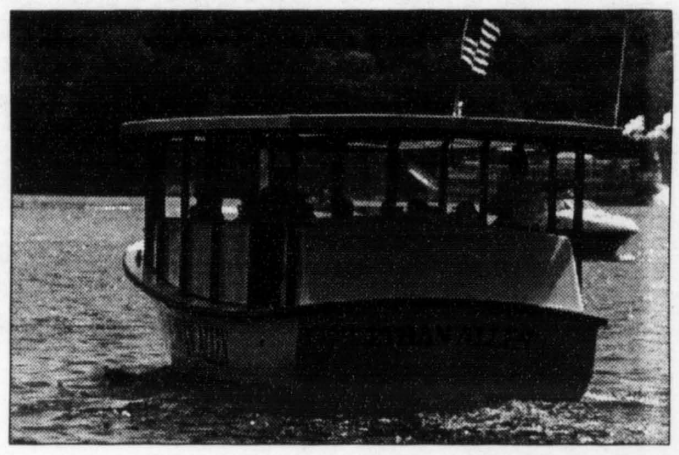


PHOTO FROM DETNEWS.COM

The cruise ship Ethan Allen capsized in choppy waters in Lake George with 47 people on board and an understaffed crew. 20 people were killed.

BLOSSBURG, Pennsylvania- Some Tioga County school students were not able to attend school, being as their school buses never showed up. The extreme cold temperatures kept five of the buses in the Southern Tioga School District from starting, as the fuel in their tanks had turned into gel. Students in the Mansfield and Blossburg areas were directly affected by this, an estimated 150 students stayed home from school. Some parents in the district were surprised that there was school at all, considering that many students have to walk long distances to their respective bus stops. The Southern Tioga School District has said that should there be a problem like this again, the district will resort to a two-hour-delay scenario.

All information taken from cnn.com and wetmtv.com

College students now included in Nielson television ratings; shows young adults watch will benefit the most

By DANIEL RYAN
Flashlight Writer

College students are impacting the Nielsen Television Ratings system for the first time in the system's history.

When Arthur Nielsen invented his system in the sixties, its main purpose was to track what people were watching on TV. Until now it has never tracked the viewing of people outside the home. But due to recent losses in advertising revenue, the Nielsen system will now move into the world of college students.

> "If you can get them using your product at age 20, they could be using it for the next 60 years," Brad Algate, senior vice president at Horizon Media, said.

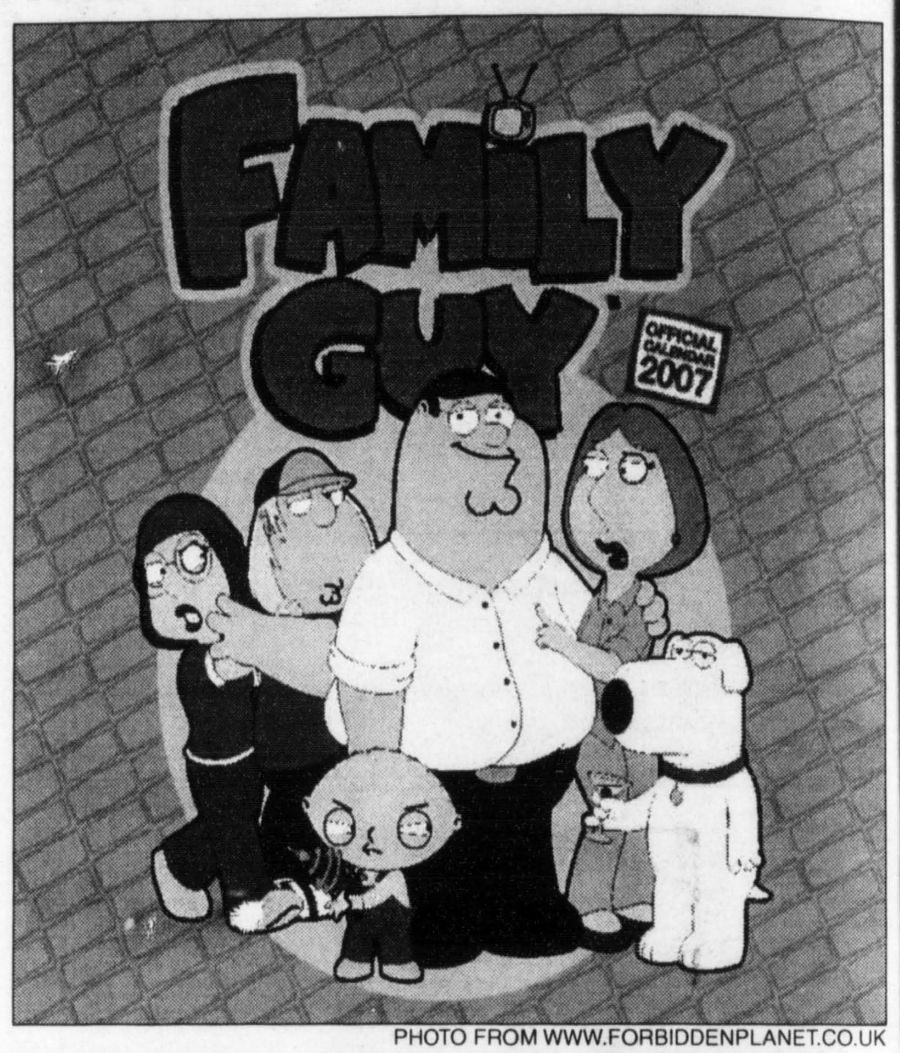
The loss in revenue is hard to explain, but according to tv.com the loss may be the result of young adults turning to alternate sources of entertainment such as video games, the internet and even their iPods. The advertising companies are hoping that this new information will let them know whether it would be profitable to buy time during certain shows that young adults may watch.

These shows until now have been thought to be highly underrated. Shows like "Family Guy" and "America's Next Top Model" are expected to gain up to one full point in the ratings this week when the new information is tallied. One point in the rating system is approximately one percent of 110,000,000 households. This jump in ratings should assure the advertisers that students are still watching TV, even if they aren't at home.

Some of the advertisers already see the benefits of such information. Brad Adgate, senior vice president for research at Horizon Media, knows the importance of getting people to buy a product at a young age. "If you can get them using your product at age 20, they could be using it for the next 60 years," Adgate said.

According to politicalgateway.com, students represented about 50 percent of the unmeasured audience. Other unmeasured TV sets are bars, restaurants, stores, and gyms. But plans are already in store for ways to monitor these sets as well. Alan Wurtzel, President of Research at NBC Universal thinks this is a very important step in obtaining audience information. "The holy grail here is how to measure consumers as they go from TV to iPod to cell phone and back," Wurtzel said.

As with many new ideas and items, there is a pitfall to monitoring college students. Matt Britton, chief of brand development for Mr. Youth, a marketing firm based in New York warns that this generation of young adults may not be paying attention to their TV while it is on. "College students have the television on in the background at the same time they undoubtedly have their computers on," Britton said. "They're online searching Facebook, doing research, shopping."



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Shows like Family Guy are expected to receive at least a point more (approximately one percent of 110,000,000 households) in the Nielson ratings now that college students are included in the tallying.

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"Quick! Do something manly!": The Flashlight editors share their favorite 2007 Super Bowl commercials

Some people watch the Super Bowl for the game and others watch it simply for the advertisements. According to cnn.com, advertisers paid $2.6 million for a 30-second spot. Even if some ads were disappointing, we wanted to share our favorites.

Editor-in-Chief
Kara Newcomer

My favorite commercial would have to be the Blockbuster ad for their new online service. As the rabbit is "clicking" a mouse he asks the guinea pig, "Are you sure this clicking this thing will get us online?" They continue to torture the poor mouse in their attempts to access the internet. It was the hardest I laughed at a commercial in a very long time.

Features Editors
Joe Seroski

I especially enjoyed the ad for Garmin in which the driver in the car turned into a gigantic robot to fight the other robot. I found it to be creative and stupid which to me equalled funny.

Brittany Serafini

My favorite commercial was the Nationwide K-Fed ad where Federline is imagining himself as a popular hip-hop artist when, in reality, he works in a fast food restaurant. I thought the best part was when K-Fed is shocked out of his daydream by his manager yelling, "Federline! Fries!"

Sports Editors
Carl Frederick

When it comes down to rock, paper, scissors for a Bud-Light you can't go wrong. Instead of playing the rock, paper, scissors game we all know about, one man decides to take it to another level.

Toby Motyka

I have to say I enjoyed the Career Builder.com commercials, particularly the one focusing on performance evaluations. There's nothing more accurate in depicting a bad evaluation than falling from a tree while screaming "I'll be a team player!" and getting up covered in binder clips. Sheer brilliance.

News Editors
Andrew Ostroski

Without a doubt, my favorite commercial of the night was the Emerald Nuts commercial featuring... yes, ladies and gentlemen, Mr. Robert Goulet. Clearly, this was a stroke of pure genius. I mean, it was just so... entertaining. Goulet!

Michelle Landis

I'd have to say that my favorite commercial was Budweiser's fake dalmation ad. An adorable white, little dog feels left out when he sees a parade for a dalmation. The dog gets dirty and eventually gets to be in his own parade. It was so cute.

Advertising Manager
Isaac Pragle

My favorite ad would be the animated Coke one because everyone knows that you can solve world peace with a can of coke!

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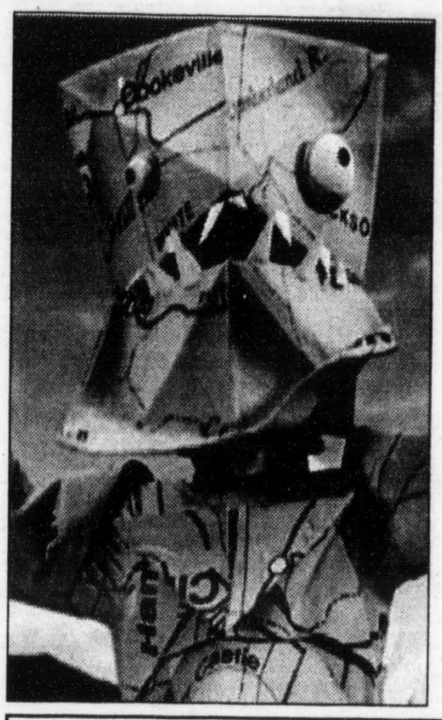
Before the 2006 Super Bowl, Coca-Cola hadn't shown an ad during the big game since 1998. The soft drink company showed a total of three ads during the game, one of which was new.



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Indie rockers The Shins are back with their newest effort "Wincing the Night Away"

By KEVIN WOODRUFF
Flashlight Web Editor

The latest effort from Albuquerque, N.M. natives The Shins entitled "Wincing the Night Away" is a step in the right direction for these indie rockers.

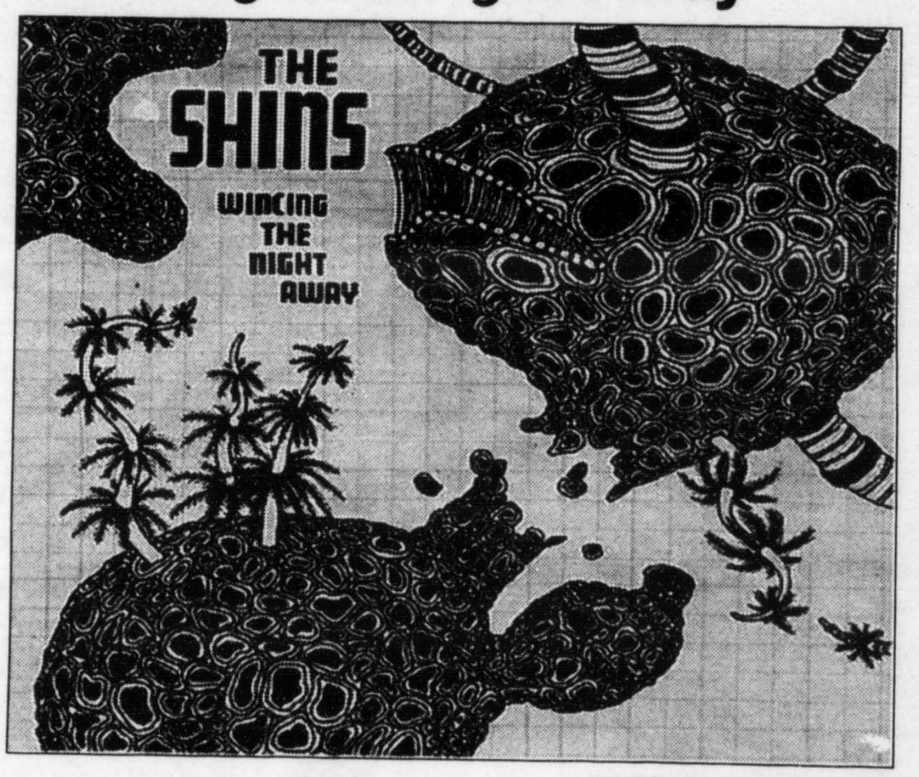
The Shins are comprised of James Mercer, Dave Hernandez, Marty Crandall and Jesse Sandovalare and are likely best known for their appearance on the soundtrack for Zach Braff's cult classic film "Garden State" playing the song "New Slang."

"Wincing the Night Away" is the Shins third full length release from Sub Pop Records. Over the years Sub Pop has been responsible for releasing albums for such artists as Soundgarden, Nirvana and the Postal Service.

"Wincing the Night Away" was produced by lead man James Mercer and Joe Chiccarelli who is best known for producing albums for Beck and U2. The album also features a notable guest appearance by Chris Funk of the Decemberists.

Unlike previous works by the Shins, this album takes small steps towards breaking them free from the format they have been known for.

The opening track "Sleeping Lessons," one of a number of tracks inspired by Mercer's bouts with insomnia, starts with an ambient introduction infused with slight vocal distortion that slowly builds to an upbeat rock n' roll climax. This track is a clear step out of their comfort zone of traditional indie-pop anthems.



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The new Shins album features a guest appearance by Chris Funk of the Decemberists.

The first single from this album "Phantom Limb" is lyrically imaginative and melodic. It takes the listener to an intimate and comfortable place, something the Shins are well known for.

The track "Girl Sailor" is a lament for lost love. A melancholy track infused with beautifully structured lyrics and melodies.

Other standout tracks on the album include "A Comet Appears" and "Sea Legs" both of which are excellently executed and concise, lyrically and musically.

Throughout the record there are small deviations in the instrumentation and lyrical execution from what listeners have heard on their previous releases "Chutes Too Narrow" and "Oh, Inverted World". They are beginning to experiment more with guitar and vocal effects.

While "Wincing the Night Away" may not be groundbreaking, it is a logical step forward for the band. This release is full of subtleties both lyrically and musically that make this a solid record.

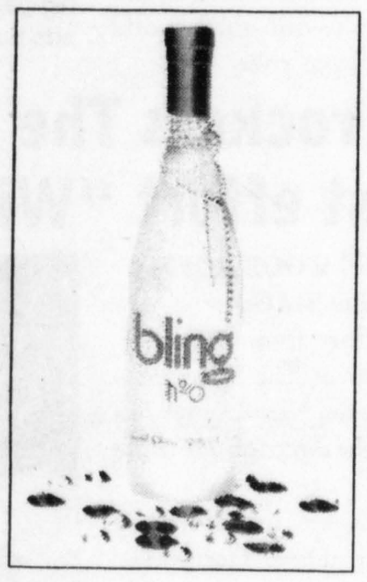
Currently the Shins are on a small U.S. tour to promote this album playing tour dates with Vive Voce across the country. They will be finishing out the tour with two dates late in February in London.

Got a few extra dollars?

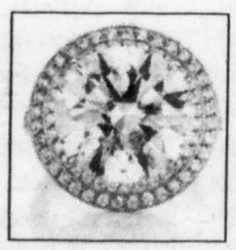
Check out Jim Trippon's annual list of the most outrageously expensive gifts for 2007

Bombardier Global Express XRS executive jet is available for a mere $48 million. This is a little ridiculous considering a college student could purchase a house, a car, pay off his or her student loans and then some. Not only that, but who really needs his or her own jet?

Bling H_20 bottled water boasts that it has "more than a pretty taste," and it should, considering each bottle costs $40. The recyclable frosted glass bottles are covered with Swarovski crystals. Bling H_20 won the gold medal at Berkley Springs International Water Tasting Festival.



Neil Lane, jewelry designer for Hollywood stars, created a sapphire and diamond necklace and diamond drop earrings. Your significant other can wear this set for $2 million.



Thinking about popping the big question? Tiffany & Co. makes a 7.5 carat diamond and platinum engagement ring for $845,000 that is sure to make the answer an emphatic "YES!"

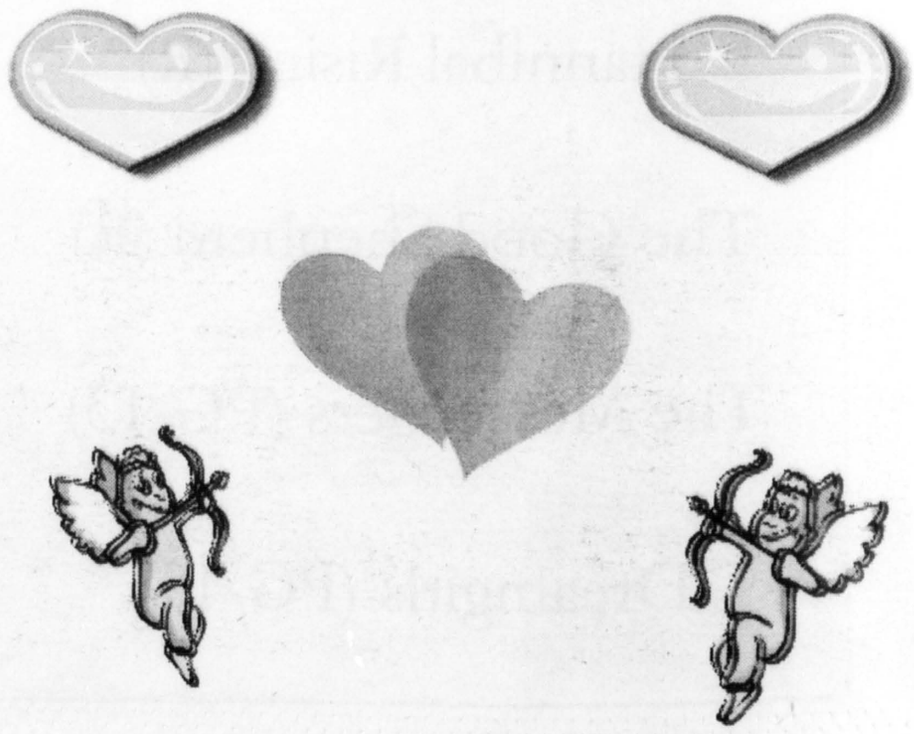
Images from Trippon.com and Tiffanys.com

Valentine's D

What you wish you could buy, what you will end up buying as a broke college student and some lesser known Valentine's Day trivia

By
Joe Seroski
and
Brittany Serafini
Features Co-editors

Americans love spending money on their significant others for Valentine's Day. According to the National Retail Federation (NRF), Americans spent $13.7 billion on Valentine's Day last year. For 2006, the average American spent $100.89, and that is expected to increase this year. Jim Trippon, CPA and an authority on the money habits of self-made millionaires, has released his annual list of the most outrageously expensive gifts for 2007.



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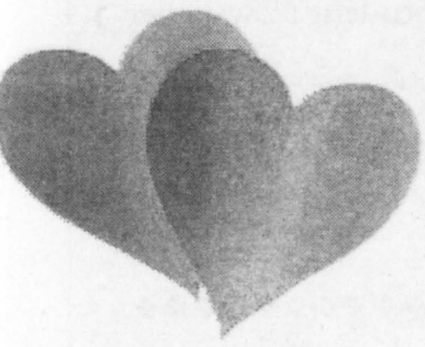
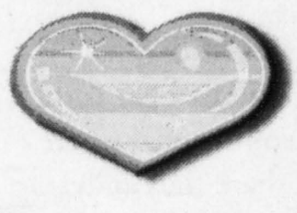
Thoughtful, homemade gift ideas



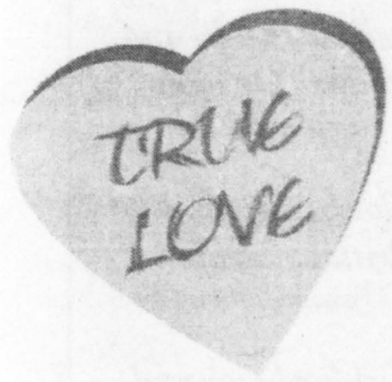
Book of Reasons
If you are in a committed relationship, a great way to show your devotion is through a book of reasons why you love your significant other. Take a 6 by 6 scrapbook and write out anywhere from 10 to 101 reasons. This takes a lot of time to do, but it is well worth the effort.

Love Song Mix Tape (CD)
Get a CD or cassette and throw together the most meaningful and important songs that describe your relationship then make a mix CD or tape and give it to your lover.



Five Guys in the Kitchen
Five (or any number) couples get together for a fun dinner, but it's the guys who make all the arrangements and do the cooking. Keep it simple or go all out, this idea can let the women relax while the guys do all the work.

Love Quote a Day
Buy a small box, container or basket. Then look online, in books or movies and type up your favorite quotes onto a list then cut them up, fold them and put them in the box, container, etc. so whenever your loved one is feeling down all they have to do is look at one of the quotes.



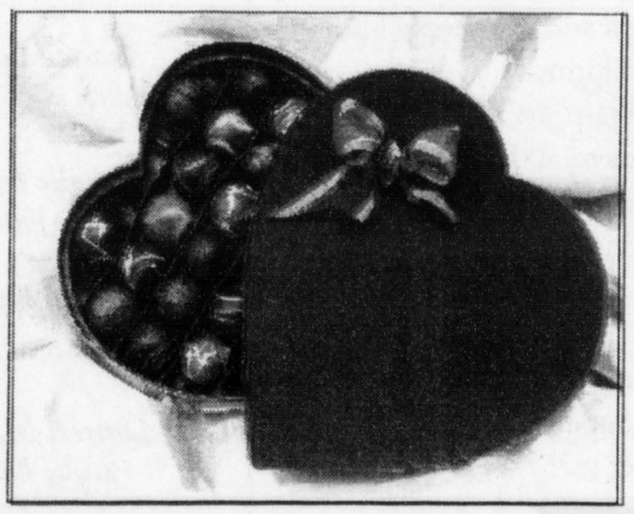
Heart Puzzle
Buy some red construction paper and get some cardboard then cut them out in a heart-shape. Put a message in the heart and cut it up into puzzle pieces then have your loved one put together the pieces of the puzzle.

Baked Goods
Take the time and make your loved one some baked goods. Nothing says "I love you" like a brownie with frosting or some chocolate chip cookies.

Book of Coupons
Create a book of a collection of homemade coupons for your loved one. Include special coupons like one free back massage and a dinner date.

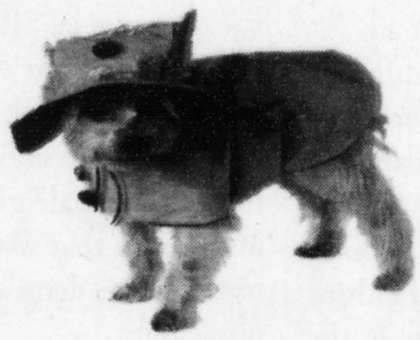
Crayon Messages
For something a little more creative (and cheap), buy a box of 64 (or other sizes) Crayola crayons. On each crayon, write a reason why you love your partner or a great memory you have of your time together.

Here are some facts you probably didn't know about Valentine's Day



• In the late 1800s, Richard Cadbury created the first Valentine's Day candy box.

• About 3 percent of pet owners will give Valentine's Day gifts to their pets.



• An estimated one billion Valentine cards are sent each year, and 85 percent of those are sent by women.

• Verona, Italy, the town where William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" takes place, receives 1,000 love letters addressed to Juliet each Valentine's Day.

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Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"

Superbowl commercials: Is America becoming too sensitive?

This past Sunday Superbowl XLI was the third most watched event in television history. So if you didn't catch it you are most definitely in the minority.

Of course everyone tunes in for the game, but that isn't the only thing people are watching on Superbowl Sunday, they're looking for the best commercials too. Even people that typically change the channel during the commercials because they can't stand them are sticking around during the Superbowl commercials.

Each year it seems to be a competition of who can come up with the best ad. Companies are constantly trying to outdo one another during the Superbowl and are even willing to pay up to $2.6 million for a 30 second spot - after all it was the third most watched program in the history of television.

This year I found (and I think most people will agree) that the commercials overall were not that funny. There were a few that stuck out- which you can read about on pg. 7 of this weeks issue- but for the most part the commercials were average or not funny at all.

Of the few that were good amusing commercials there has been a bit of controversy.

First, Kevin Federline who is mostly known for marrying and divorcing Britney Spears, appeared in a spot for Nationwide, an insurance company.

Nationwide has a series of commercials featuring their "Life comes at you fast" slogan which is supposed to emphasize the need for people to plan their futures.

In this particular commercial it snaps from Federlines music video to him getting yelled at by his manager, "Federline! Fries!" followed by Nationwides "Life comes at you fast" slogan.

I thought it was one of the funniest commercials especially since the guy has the guts to make fun of himself on national television in front of millions.

However there has already been controversy over the commercial. The National Restaurant Association wrote a letter to the CEO of Nationwide saying that the commercial "gives the impression that working in a restaurant is demeaning and unpleasant."

It's a Superbowl ad for goodness sake, its meant to entertain! The idea that someone would take that ad personally is ridiculous. I've worked at a restaurant and honestly -- it's not always a cup of tea and most people who work in the business know that!

Nationwide released a statement stating that the commercial is only making fun of one persons particular situation and that the ad is not to insult the many people who work in the fast food industry.

The next ad that has created a bit of a buzz is the Snickers commercial where two men share the candy bar and accidently end up kissing. So to make up for the kiss they "do something manly," and tear out their chest hair.

Honestly, it wasn't one of the funnier ones for me, but it wasn't horrible. Snickers also had three alternate endings that you could see at afterthekiss.com. They were
1. An old man asked how he could get on the love boat.
2. Instead of pulling out chest hair they each drank a quart of motor oil.
3. One man hit the other with a wrench and then got his head slammed in the hood of the car.

These three alternate endings were supposed to be aired after the Superbowl but Snickers has now pulled all of the commercials from television and the internet (you can still watch it at ifilm.com if you missed it) because of a public outcry.

The Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) spoke out against the commercials, stating "That Snickers, Mars and the NFL would promote and endorse this kind of prejudice is simply inexcusable."

In a statement released by Masterfoods they said, "We know that humor is highly subjective and understand that some people may have found the ad offensive. Clearly that was not our intent."

Undoubtably this commercial is a bit more offensive than the Nationwide ad and I can understand why people are upset. But again-- it's a Superbowl commercial. It's supposed to entertain. Maybe Snickers did cross the line with this one, but I'm not quite sure. It was simply humor that most of the straight and gay people I know found funny.

Again, its a Superbowl commercial. It's meant to entertain. People need to stop analyzing everything so carefully and just take it for what it is. Since when did America become so sensitive that we let a Superbowl commercial bother us??

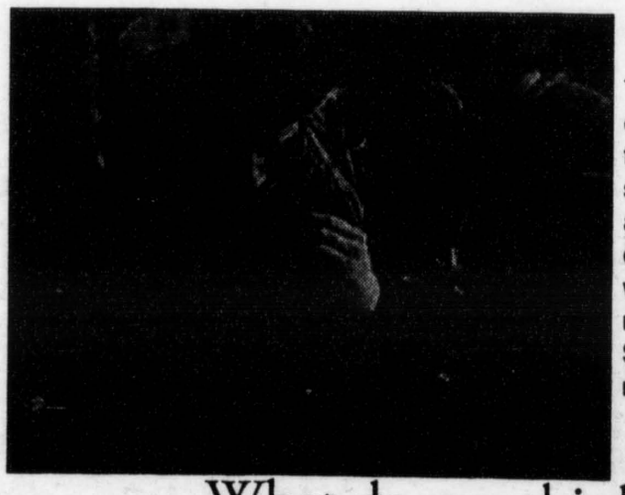

IMAGE FROM CNN.COM

The Snickers ad in question features two mechanics who share a candy bar and a kiss. Snickers pulled the spot which didn't even make the "Top Ten" Superbowl Commercials list.

What do you think?

E-mail your thoughts about these commercials to flashlit@mansfield.edu

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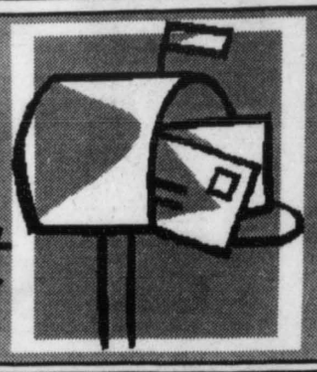

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Flashlight Movie Quiz

How well do you know "Se7en"?

Answer the questions below to find out if you are an expert.

1. How many years has William Somerset been a police officer?
   A. 26 years
   B. 34 years
   C. 16 years
   D. 38 years

2. What is John Doe's apartment number?
   A. 604
   B. 708
   C. 404
   D. 600

3. John Doe punishes people guilty of committing the seven deadly sins, which sin does he target first?
   A. Gluttony
   B. Wrath
   C. Pride
   D. Sloth

4. How many notebooks are found in John Doe's apartment?
   A. 350
   B. 900
   C. 2000
   D. 1050

5. When John Doe surrenders he is covered in the blood of three people, which is NOT one of them?
   A. The lust victim
   B. His own blood
   C. The pride victim
   D. Tracy Mills

6. What day of the week does the final scene of the film take place?
   A. Monday
   B. Thursday
   C. Sunday
   D. Saturday

7. How many times does Detective Mills shoot John Doe?
   A. 10
   B. 6
   C. 3
   D. 13

8. Which victim is the only one that John Doe actually killed himself.
   A. Sloth
   B. Gluttony
   C. Pride
   D. He killed all of them

9. What is John Doe refering to when he says "He didn't know," in the final scene of the film?
   A. Somerset was retiring
   B. Mills' wife was pregnant
   C. Somerset has a child
   D. Doe kidnapped Mills' wife

10. What was Detective Mills sin?
   A. Wrath
   B. Envy
   C. Pride
   D. Greed

11. A delivery van arrives on the scene during the final scene of the movie, what is the name of the company?
   A. FedEx
   B. Speedy Delivery
   C. Crosstown Express
   D. UPS

12. The police find a reciept in John Does apartment, where is it from?
   A. Walmart
   B. Leather and Lace
   C. Sears
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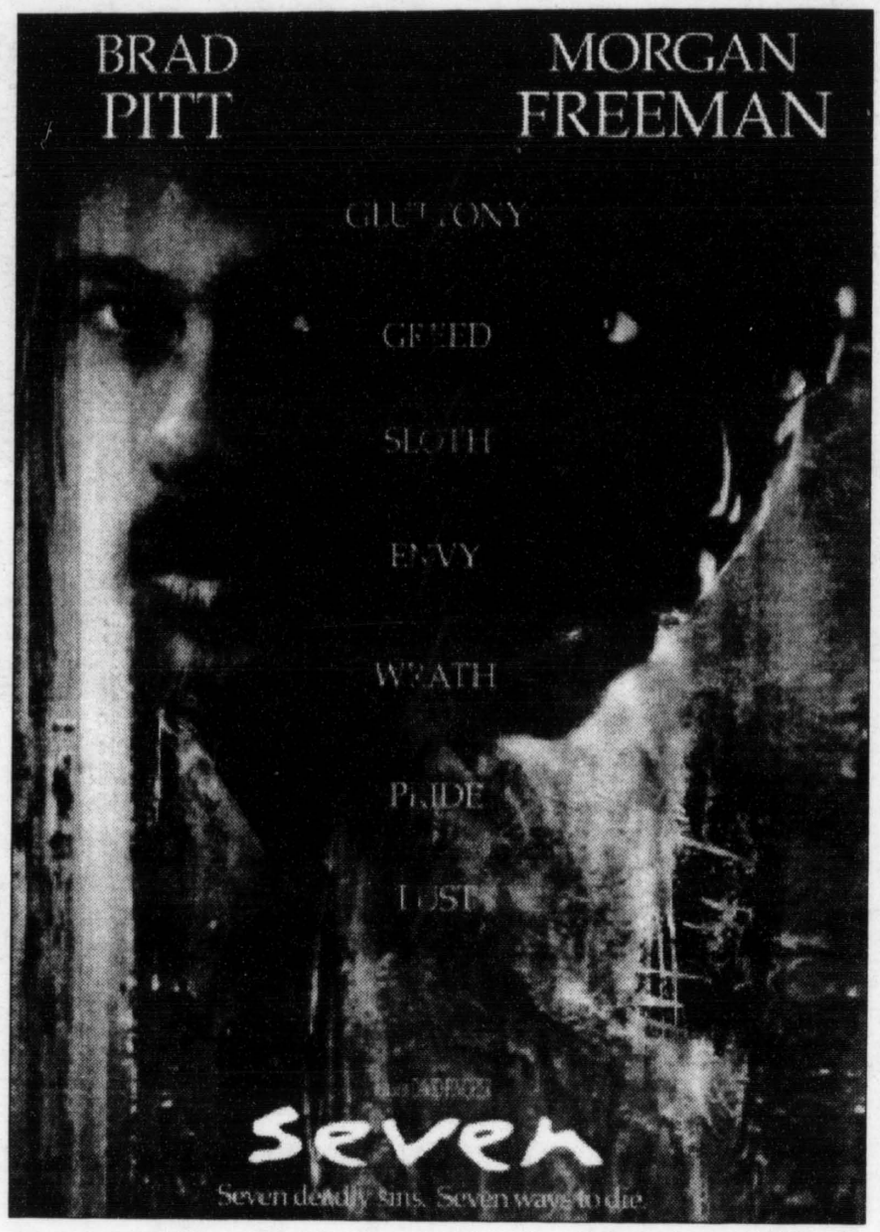

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Several Mountaineers compete in the 13th annual Mansfield Boxing Invitational: Universities throughout the country compete in event

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Writer

The 13th annual Mansfield Boxing invitational was held on Saturday night and 10 Mansfield fighters were in action. The crowd was excited and the fighters did not disappoint.

The first fight was at 145 pounds between Mansfield's Matt Bolt and Deonte Dawson from Army. Both fighters came out swinging. Bolt threw some nice right handed shots that connected and Dawson got a few left jabs in for an even first round. In the third round Dawson took control with left jab and the referee decided to stop the fight. "I thought I did alright," Bolt said. "I came out real fast, and next week I'm going to work on pacing myself."

The next match was at 156 between Adam Graves from Mansfield and Ryle Stous from Army. Stous came out early with some punches and continually grabbed Graves and caused the ref to intervene. Graves came out in the second round and landed some good left right combos, however, Stous would continue his attack and the referee stopped the fight giving the win to Stous.

At 195 pounds Josh Formaneck from Mansfield fought Robert Myers from Army. Myers started fast with good right left combos and kept attacking Formaneck. Formaneck's long reach made him able to get some good rights in, but Myers caught him with a shot to the face and Formaneck started bleeding. The ref then called the fight and gave Myers the win.

Next up was Erica Martin from Mansfield versus Kathryn Hill of Lock Haven. Both Martin and Hill came out fighting connecting on some good punches. "I tried to connect on my punches and just do what they taught me," Martin said. In the second round, Hill got some good rights and connected on a combo, but Martin came right back with two good combos in a row. The fight came down to judge's decision and Hill received the victory. "I felt I did well for my first fight and I'm excited for next week," Martin said.

The next fight was at heavyweight bout between Chris Phifer of Mansfield and Pat Frost of the Coast Guard Academy. Frost landed some rights while Phifer focused on connecting with his jab. "I tried to work my jab and I always feel comfortable with it," Phifer said. "This was a good test for me. I'm not pushed that much in practice so this was a great challenge,". Both fighters continued to go after each other the whole fight. punches. It was a good match and came down to judges decision and Phifer won the match. "I'm real happy with Chris," Coach Gillespie said. "He is basically in charge of practice and he does a great job with the boxing club."

Mansfield's Taz Burrows would go up against Mike Delporte from Gettysburg. Delporte came out strong and was able to connect on some big right hands. Burrows was knocked down but was able to get right back up. Early in the second round Delporte landed some big punches and the referee stopped the fight so the trainer could look at Burrows. Delporte picked up the decision

Dane Denmon fought next for Mansfield against Travis Murray from the Coast Guard. Murray came out attacking landing some big punches. The referee stopped the fight in the first round and gave the win to Murray.

The next fight put Roi Ligon from Mansfield against Andy Pizzaro of Lock Haven. Both fighters were able to get in some nice punches throughout the match. The judge's decision was unanimous giving Pizzaro the win.

Jarrell Hill was next for Mansfield at 139 pounds against Mike Bechdel of Lock Haven. Hill dominated the fight from the very beginning. He was able to connect with his right hand early and often. The referee stopped the fight in the second round giving the win to Hill. "I didn't take him for granted and that was very important. I was calm and the fans really got me hyped," said Hill.

The last fight of the night was Mansfield's Dan Lawrence against Danny Marrero from Lock Haven. Marrero came out fast connecting on some combos. Marrero had control of the fight most of the way. The judges gave a unanimous decision win to Marrero. "I need to work on my conditioning and get better for next week," Lawrence said.

Mansfield's boxers were competitive in their matches and posted two wins out of the ten they fought in. Mansfield was one of the smaller schools at the invitational. Army, Coast Guard, Lock Haven and Gettysburg." were a small program and we don't have the kind of facilities these other programs do," Coach Gillespie said. "We had some new boxers that were fighting for the first time and they're getting better,

Next weekend the boxers will head o Army and the following weekend will go to Lock Haven.

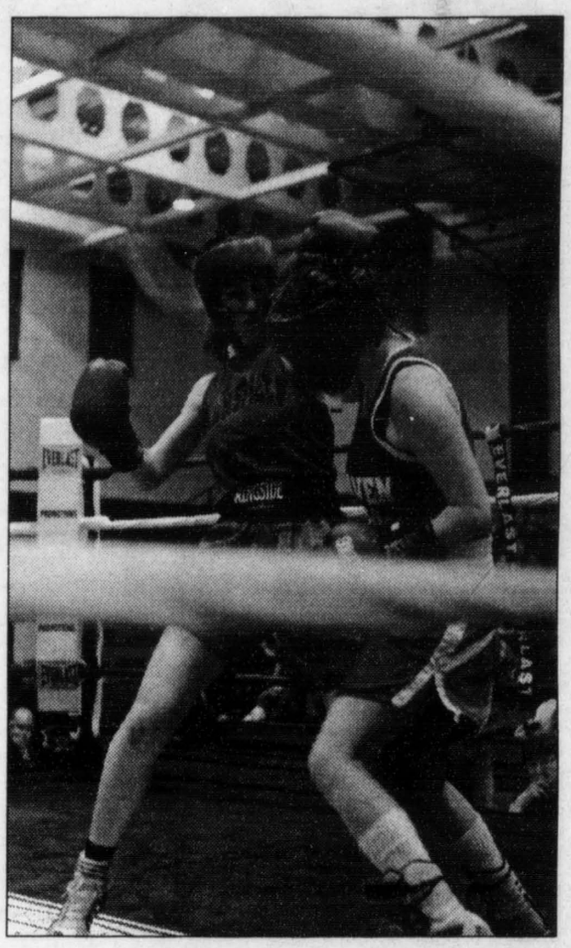


PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
Although Mansfield boxer Erica Martin came out on the losing end of her bout, she fought until the final bell rang. Coach Gillespie was proud of his team's efforts despite the losses

Mountaineer swimmers enjoy solid day in the pool: Tricia Learn wins twice qualifying for the PSAC Championships

By MICHELLE LANDIS
Flashlight News-Co Editor

Sophomore Tricia Learn swam a PSAC Championship qualifying time in the 200 freestyle at the ESU Invintational on Saturday, Feb. 3 in East Stroudsburg.

According to head coach Danita Fox, the atmosphere in and near the pool at the ESU Invintational – was friendly.

"The nature of the meet was to make an environment that's open to all athletes, for them to get in and try their best," Fox said. "It was interesting to see competitors cheer on other athletes from other teams to qualify for PSACs."

Learn placed first in the 200 free with a PSAC qualifying time of 3:03.65. "When I jumped in I just decided that I was gonna go as hard as I can. I wasn't going to think about qualifying," Learn said. "When I was done, I was like, 'sweet'!"

Learn won the 500 freestyle with a time of 5:32.06. She also placed eighth in the 100 free (59.06).

Senior Abbe Tipton, who is currently preparing for her final competition with the Mountaineers, qualified for the PSAC Championship earlier in this season. Tipton finished second in the 100 backstroke in East Stroudsburg with a time of 1:02.84. She finished after Millersville's Sarah Johnson (1:02.72). Tipton also came in second in the 200 backstroke with a time of 2:15.23.

Tipton was pleased with the team's overall performance. "We were pumped. We were ready. We were nervous and it made us swim faster," Tipton said.

Sophomore Mary Tucker placed third for the Mountaineers in the 1650 free with a time of 20:25.10. Tucker came in fourth in the 500 free with a time of 5:59.67.

Freshman Tamar Maloney, who also qualified for the PSAC Championship this season, was third in the 500 free with a time of 5:46.94. Maloney was sixth in the 200 individual medley (2.26.67).

Maloney swam strong and was proud of her performance despite end of season fatigue. "Even though today's times weren't my best times, they were still around my best," Maloney said. "Obviously we've been training really hard and it's nice to know that I can swim that way when I"ve been training hard and I'm tired."

Junior Maureen Maikner came in fifth in the 200 breaststroke (2:50.57) and placed eighth in the 100 breaststroke. Freshman Sarah Koontz was eighth in the 200 free (2:18.13). The 200 medley relay team of Tipton, Koontz, Maikner and Maloney finished fifth out of nine teams.

Fox was pleased with the team's overall performance. "We went with the initial goal to qualify more swimmers for PSACs and to get some personal best times. We accomplished those goals, so I'd say we did a pretty good job," Fox said.

The Mansfield University women's swim team will be spending the next few weeks preparing for the PSAC Championship, which takes place on Feb. 22-25 at Cumberland Valley High School in Mechanicsburg, Pa.

"There are six women on the PSAC squad, four of which have qualified for individual events," Fox said. "Over the next weeks we'll be getting ready for those events specifically, working on relays, doing some fine tuning; we'll just continue our work and get a litte more focused on the meet."

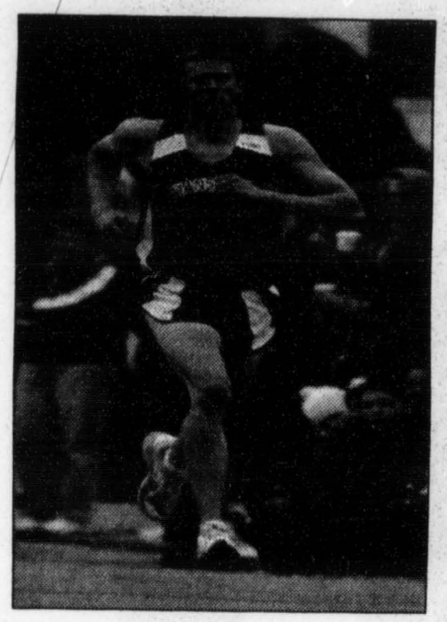
PHOTO BY ANDREW OSTROSKI
Sophomore Mary Tucker was one of the Mountaineers to enjoy a solid day in the pool. Tucker finished third in the 1650 freestyle race while registering fourth and sixth place finishes in the 500 free and 200 IM.

Sanford, Hall, Learn pick up all-academic XC Honors

Three members of the Mountaineer cross-country earned Division II All-Academic honors as announced by the US Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA).

Dave Sanford, Rachel Hall and Tricia Learn were all honored along with the Mountaineer women's team which earned All-Academic Team Honors.

The U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association announced Thursday that 92 women's programs are Division II All-Academic Teams for the 2006 cross country season.



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Dave Sanford was one of three individuals from the Cross-Country team to earn all-academic honors

For schools to qualify as an All-Academic Team, the student-athletes on their NCAA squad list must have a cumulative team GPA of 3.0 or higher. The Mountaineer women tallied a 3.17- cumulative team GPA to earn the honor.

To qualify for individual Division II All-Acaemic honors, a student-athlete must have a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 3.25 and finish in the top 30 at the regional cross country championships.

Dave Sanford earned the honor in his first semester at Mansfield. while Rachel Hall and Tricia Learn represented the women's team.

"Weve got such great student-athletes on our squads," coach Mike Rohl said. "They put academics before athletics and still excel at both."

The Mountaineers are now midway through the indoor track season with the CTC Championships on the horizon. Sanford and Hall are amongst the PSAC leaders in their respective events this winter while Learn will represent Mansfield in the PSAC swimming Championships later this month.

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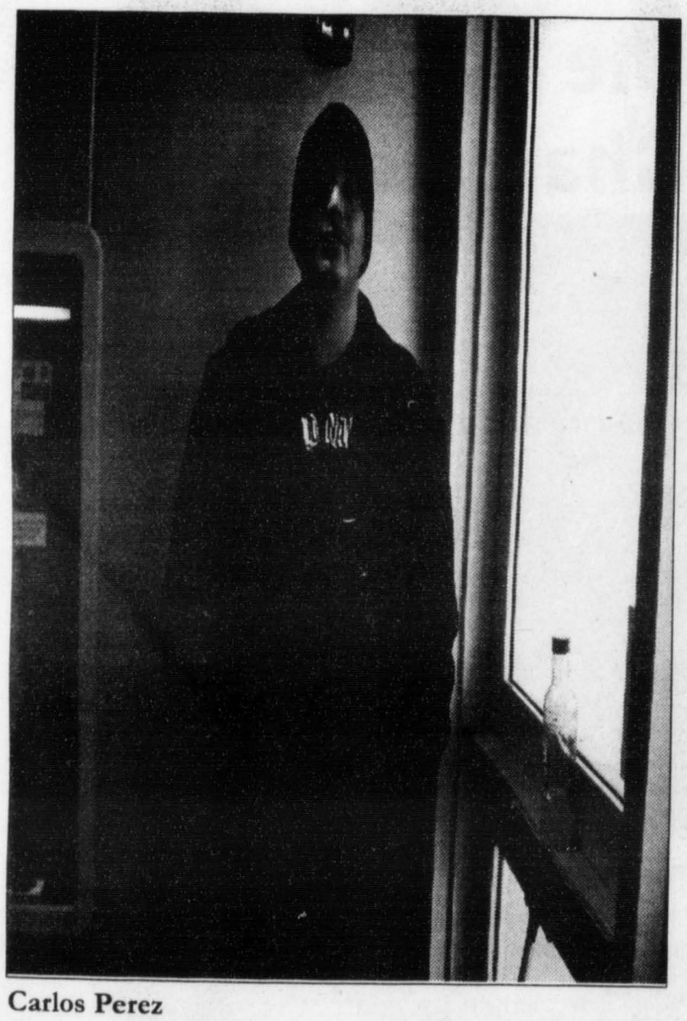
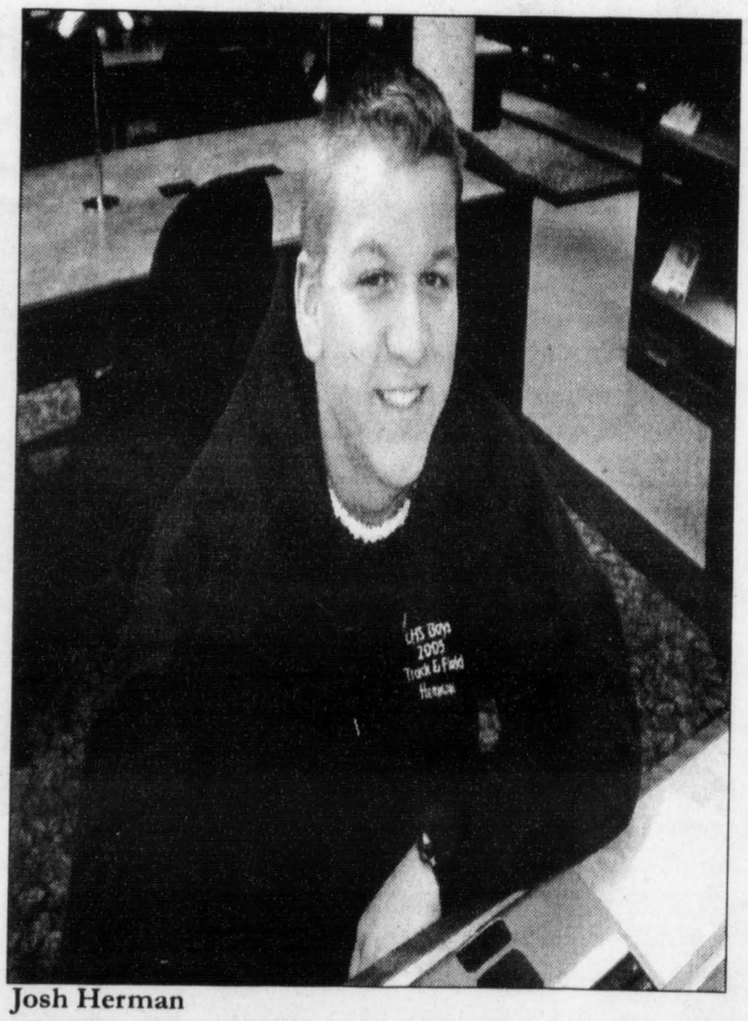
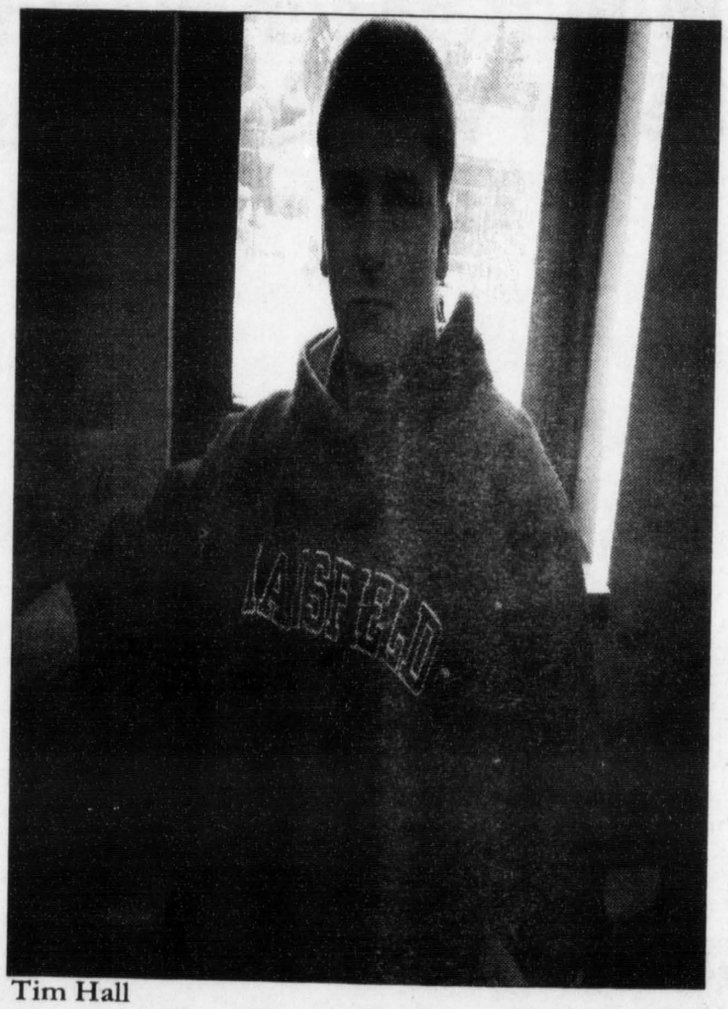
Word on the Street: What did Mansfield University students do for the Superbowl?



Carlos Perez
Major: Communications
"I had a party in the commons with several of my friends. We had plenty of food and we really enjoyed the game."



Josh Herman
Major: Criminal Justice
"I just watched it in the dorms, with abunch of my friends. We had a ton of food from hotdogs to pizza, we had everything."



Tim Hall
Major: Elementary Education
" I watched it at the New Life Church. Their were over 170 people in attendance, and the food and entertainment were excellent."

Mountaineers remain in PSAC playoff contention with split decisions this past week: Mallory Hafer breaks single-season school record of three pointers

By PATRICK LAHR
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield Women's Basketball team was coming off a pair of tough PSAC East losses on the road. The Mountaineers needed a win to put them back in the hunt for the PSAC East title. They looked to get that win at home against Bloomsburg University on Wednesday, Jan. 31.

The Huskies took a 30-27 lead into the locker room after an evenly played first half. Mansfield came out and took the lead five minutes into the second half, 39-38 on back-to-back three pointers by Mallory Hafer. After grabbing the lead, the Mountaineers continued to stretch it out over the course of the second half and never looked back, eventually winning by a final of 64-54.

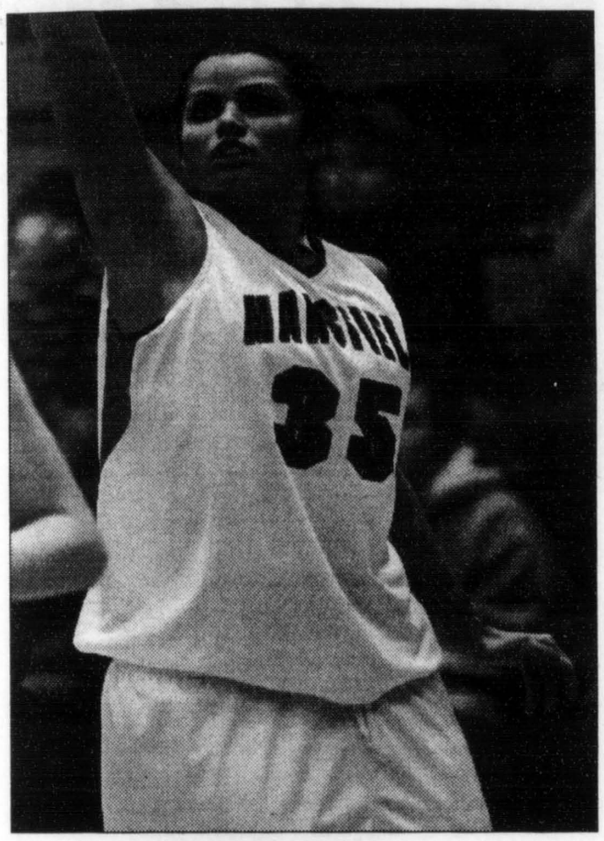


PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
Marisa Gaeta was very productive in the starting lineup this past week. She had 13 points in the victory over the Bloomsburg Huskies.

"Mallory's three's really changed the momentum of the game in our favor and Jessica Uhrich came through with a typical all-around game," Head Coach Ruth Hermansen said. "We also got a nice boost underneath from Merrisa Gaeta."

Mansfield dominated the game on both ends of the court. Uhrich finished the game with a game high 19 points. Gaeta put up 13 points and pulled down eight rebounds in her first collegiate start. Hafer put up nine of her 16 total points in the second half, all on three-point baskets. With her 62nd three-pointer of the season, Hafer broke the program's single season record for most 3-pointers, originally set by Jill Masker in 1997-98.

The Mountaineers matched their offensive dominance with a strong defensive presence on the other end. Bloomsburg went without a basket from the field for almost 11 minutes and did not score a basket until there was only 50 seconds left in the game. Mansfield held an 18-8 advantage in that span. The Mountaineers also dominated the glass in the second half, pulling down 16 of their 19 offensive rebounds over that time frame. The win put the Mountaineers at 11-9 and 4-2 in the PSAC East.

Mansfield took the win over the Huskies into Millersville on Saturday, hoping to complete the season sweep of the Maurauders,but it was not to be. As well as the Mountaineers played last Wednesday, they played just as poorly at Millersville.

The Mountaineers were unable to buy a basket in the first half, scoring only 15 points and trailing 31-15 at halftime. Nothing changed in the second half for the ice cold Mountaineers, who continued to struggle offensively and lost the game by a lopsided final of 69-33.

Mansfield shot only 22 percent from the floor for the game, which was the worst shooting performance in over nine seasons for the program. It was the worst loss for the Mountaineers since a 76-28 defeat by Drury University in 2003.

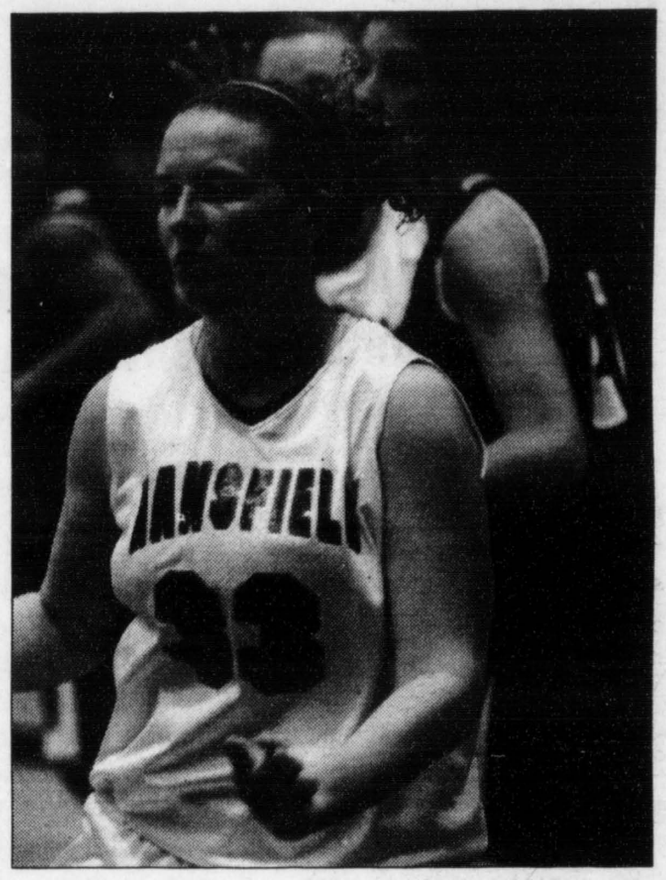


PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
Mallory Hafer will look to add on to her already record breaking three point mark in PSAC East play.

Gaeta and sophomore Emily Akins led the Mountaineers with seven points each. Uhrich scored six of her own while point guard Courtney Brooks added five. The loss put Mansfield at 11-10 on the season, 4-3 in the PSAC East.

The Mountaineers will next be in action on Wednesday, Feb. 7 when they travel to Kutztown for their second game of the season against the Golden Bears. Mansfield won the first meeting 63-55 at Decker Gymnasium. Uhrich had 16 points and a game high 11 rebounds.

Mountaineer Track and Field continues to impress: Individual and team records set in NYC and at Cornell

By KIRK MILLER
Flaslhight Sports Writer

More records fell as the Mansfield University indoor track and field teams competed in the New Balance Invitational, Friday Feb. 2, in New York City and the Cornell Invitational, Saturday Feb. 3, at Cornell University in Ithica, NY.

Junior Jamie Switzer medaled in the 100th Millrose Games in Madison Square Garden Friday. Her school record walk-run time of 7:45.25 placed her sixth in the USA Championship Mile Walk. Sweitzer, who was one of three collegiate athletes in the field, finished 1:33.13 behind first place walker Loretta Schuellein of Walk USA.

"I'm extremely excited for Jamie," head coach Mike Rohl said. "She really rose to the occasion. That is an amazingly fast time."

"I cried when I realized that I had medaled," Sweitzer said about her performance. "It was just incredible to be able to achieve something like that."

Juniors Dave Sanford and Bryan Morseman, sophomore Bryan Falcone and freshman John-Mark Stoltz set a new school record in the men's distance medley relay with a time of 10:11.88. The new mark bested the team's old record, set earlier this season, by ten seconds. The team's performance is the 8th best time in NCAA Division II this season and qualified them for the national championship.

The Mountaineers continued their winning ways when they traveled to Cornell University Saturday for their second meet of the weekend. Senior Nicole Dann broke the school record in the 1,000 meter with an impressive time of 3:00.74. "As I was approaching the finish line I could see the time and with the last few steps my legs felt like Jell-O," Dann said. "I knew I really had to push through it to make that three minute mark."

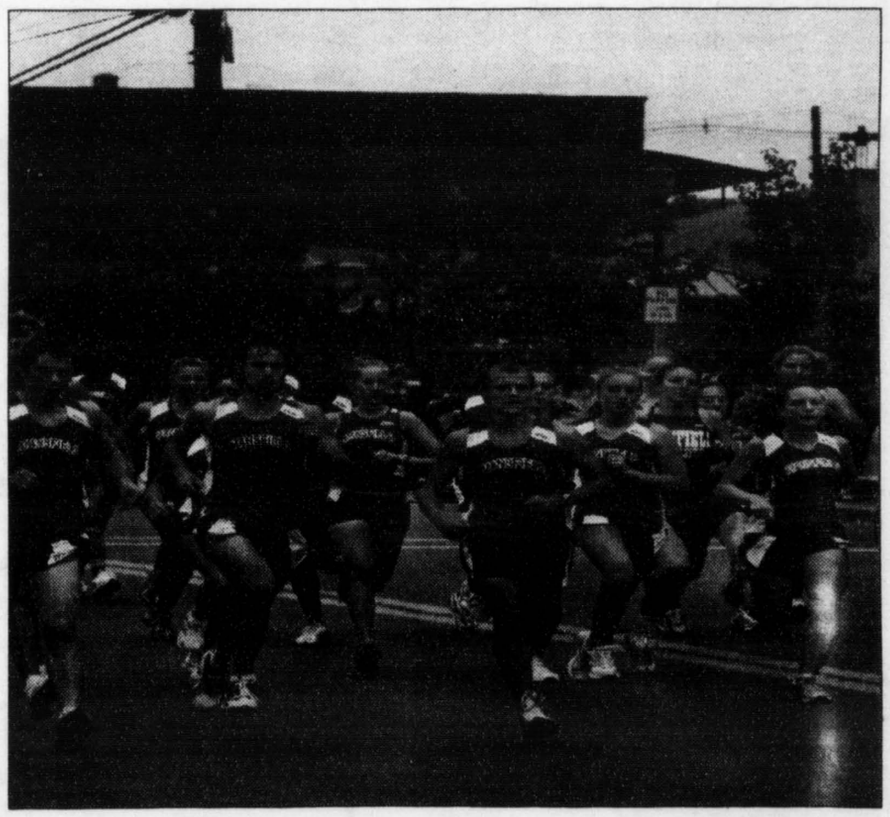
Sanford, fresh off his team's dominant DMR performance on Friday, placed first in the mile with a PSAC qualifying time of 4:25.07. Morseman finished a close second in the event with a time of 4:25.98.

Junior Ricky Jones tied his own mark in the 60 meter dash and picked up a fourth place finish, while freshman Mike Gray placed second in the shot put with a throw of 14.47 meters.

Also qualifying for PSAC's events were senior Rachel Hall and sophomore Marisa Fronczkiewicz who tied in the 800 with times of 2:24.

Freshman Christyna Cain and Jessica Wagner and junior Amanda Streeter all finished the 3,000 meter run with personal best times. Cain finished in fourth place in the event with a time of 11:19.49, followed by Wagner in seventh place at 11:32.73 and Streeter in eighth. Junior Katrina Brumfield also finished seventh in the 300.

Mansfield's next meet will be the Collegiate Track Conference Championships, Saturday Feb. 10 in New Haven, GT. The event, in which Mansfield placed third last year, will be the Mountaineers first team scored event of the season. It will also be the first of four championships scheduled through the remainder of the season.



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After an impressive showing in the outdoor season this past fall, the Mountaineer track and field team is breaking school records by the week during the indoor season. This winter's team has many key contributors, all of whom are turning heads around Division II athletics.

They will then travel to Ohio for the Kent State Last Chance meet. The date for that is set two weeks from now on Feb. 17.

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Mansfield continues up and down season as first half of PSAC East play ends

Mountaineers remain one game out of the 4th and final playoff spot in the division

By PAUL OVERWISE

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield Mountaineers were-able to put together two solid performances in a week that saw them split their games. The split brings Mansfield to 7-14 overall and 3-4 in PSAC East play.

In their first game of the week the Bloomsburg Huskies came into Decker Gymnasium to take on the Mountaineers. The Mountaineers and the Huskies played a relatively close first half. John Hampton scored 14 points in the first half to lead the Mountaineers to a 34-28 advantage at halftime.

Bloomsburg started the second half on fire. They not only tied the game within the first two minutes, but built up a lead as big as six before Brandon Lawley hit a lay-up to give the Mountaineers a 50-49 lead with just over twelve minutes remaining. Mansfield went up by as many as six before Bloomsburg would regain the lead with 69-68 with three minutes remaining. Chris Pender was fouled with ten seconds left and the Mountaineers trailed by one. He missed the first foul shot, but was able to hit the second to send the game into overtime.

In overtime, Terrance Williams took over scoring six of the twelve points for the Mountaineers. Chris Greene and Hampton hit foul shots down the stretch to secure the 85-82 victory for the Mountaineers.

John Hampton led five Mountaineer players in double figures with 25 points. Brandon Lawley had 19 points and 10 rebounds to go with his 7 steals. Bloomsburg was lead by Matt Jefferson, who scored 29 points and pulled in 12 rebounds. Mansfield was out shot by the Huskies 52 percent to 46 percent, but the Huskies turned the ball over 23 times to Mansfield's 16.

Up next for the Mountaineers was a trip to Millersville to take on the Marauders. The Mountaineers started off strong, taking an 11-3 lead to start the game. Millersville answered with a 24-0 run and took a 27-11 lead. The lead grew as large as 18. Mansfield cut the lead to 14 at the half, trailing the Marauders 45-31.

Millersville stretched the lead to 20 early in the second half. Mansfield clawed back only to see Millersville extend the lead back to 14 or more points. Mansfield was able to cut the lead to as small as seven after Jouvon Webb hit two lay-ups in a row, but as they did all day, Millersville responded with a 7-0 to push the game out of reach. Millersville won by a final score of 86-75.

For the second straight game, John Hampton led the Mountaineers in scoring. He finished with 19. The Mountaineers shot 35 percent from the field and 23 percent from beyond the arc. Millersville was 48 percent and 45 percent respectively. Greg Testa led Millersville with 23 points and Reggie Bates added 22.

Mansfield travels to Kutztown on Wednesday and are back home on Saturday to take on the Cheyney Wolves.

In their first meeting, the Mountaineers took down the Golden Bears 85-74. Brandon Lawley dropped in a career high 21 points in the victory, while David Ben paced Kutztown with a game high 25.

Cheyney and Mansfield hooked up earlier this semester with the Mountaineers coming out on top 81-71. John Hampton put in a game high 23 points, which helped him earn PSAC East player of the week. Chris Greene also dished out seven assists playing the entire 40 minutes.

Since then both Cheyney and Kutztown have moved ahead of Mansfield in the division standings.

Cheyney is 12-10 overall and 5-2 in PSAC East play, while Kutztown is 15-6 and 4-3.

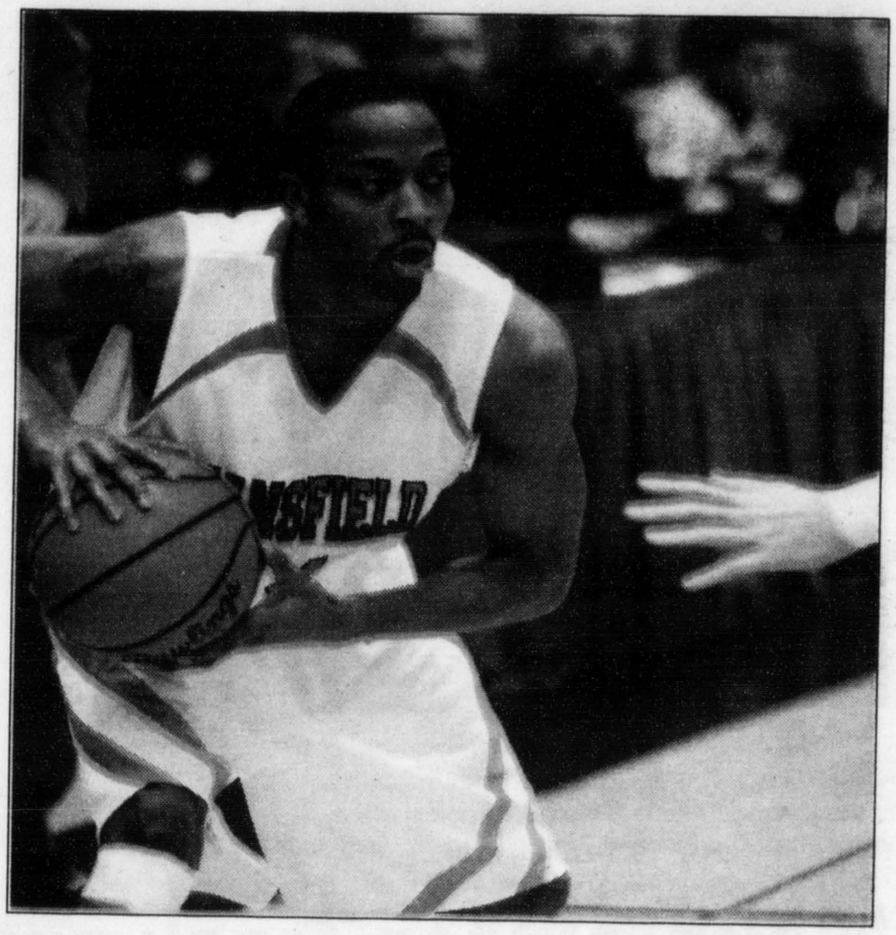

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR

John Hampton led the Mountaineers in scoring this week. The junior posted 25 points in the overtime victory over Bloomsburg and notched 19 in the loss to Millersville. He and the rest of the Mountaineers will have to get it in gear in order to go back to the PSAC Playoffs. They currently are in 5th place in the division.

Tip-off for Wednesday's game is set for 7:30 p.m. The action for the rematch against the Wolves is set to start at 3 p.m. The game will be the first home game for the Mountaineers in over a week.

Coming up in Mountie Sports

Feb. 4	5	6	7 Women's Basketball 5:30 p.m. @ Kutztown Men's Basketball 7:30 p.m. vs.Kutztown	8	9 Indoor Track @ Field @ Valentines Day Invitational	10 Women's Basketball 1 p.m. vs. Cheyney Men's Basketball 3 p.m. vs. Cheyney
11	12	13	14 Men's Basketball 7 p.m. @ Pitt-Johnstown	15	16 Indoor Track @ Field @ Kent State Last Chance	17 Women's Basketball 1 p.m. vs. West Chester Men's Basketball 3 p.m. vs West Chester

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Today's Weather

PM Snow Showers

High- 15°F
Overnight Low- 5°F

Information taken from weather.com

Men For Progress rock campus with open mic night at Jazzman's Cafe

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Writer

With the candles lit and the crowd energized, Men For Progress held an open mic night that was a well deserved break from academic life for all of the students that attended. The crowd amassed to over sixty people, which are within the norm of every Open Mic night.

There were several performers who covered all sorts of genres ranging from gospel, rap, and poetry. Sharon Thomas, a junior at Mansfield University, spoke highly of the evening's events.

"Open Mic Night gives people the chance to express themselves in a way that they do not get to otherwise," Thomas said.

Thomas's statement reflected the general consensus of the students that attended the Open Mic night. Many students felt that it was a great way to express themselves and it was also a great event to attend.

The show was highlighted by Thom McCarthy singing "Sending out an S.O.S.", as well as Joe Miller with a guitar solo, Dom Perry and Kristie Terell. The Black Student Union provided funding for the refreshments for the event while Megan Olney created smoothies for the students.

Men For Progress was founded last semester by Mozart Guerrier for underrepresented males on campus. The organization is open to all males on campus to discuss topics regarding society, sexuality and other pressing social issues. The group also talks about juggling college and campus life.

Don Montrose, a member of Men For Progress, says that more activities such as this are needed.

"The students need stuff to do, that's why we started these events" said Montrose.

The group holds weekly meetings at 4 p.m. every Friday on the third floor of Alumni Hall Student Center. The members encourage all males on campus to attend the meetings.

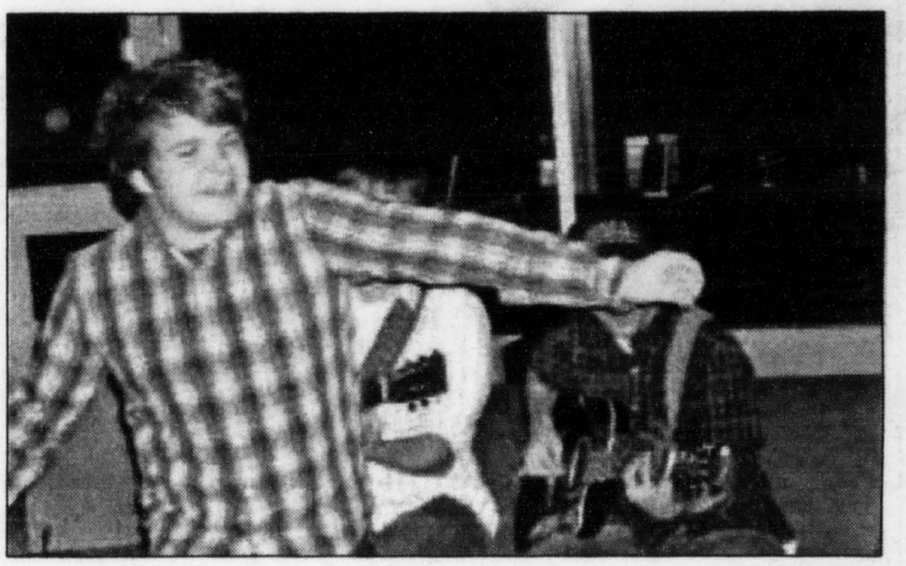

PHOTO BY MOZART GUEURRIER
Mansfield University students shared their talents at Open Mic Night.

Mansfield University student Cordell Crawley was another organizer of the event.

"We are trying to bring the community together through a series of entertaining events in which every student on the campus can relate to," Crawley said.

Future events include Fight Night Tournament, and pick up basketball games. The pick-up basketball games will start Feb. 21 at Kelchner Fitness Center. These are a few events that are on the upcoming schedule.

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Fifth annual Conducting Symposium allows current and future conductors to take a journey closer to perfection

By REBECCA HAZEN
Flashlight Writer

The 5th annual Conducting Symposium was held at Mansfield University on Friday Feb 9 and Saturday Feb. 10 at Steadman Theatre.

The purpose of the symposium was to allow conducting students, graduates and teachers alike to interact with each other. It was also a chance for participants to conduct Mansfield students and to expand their knowledge and craft of conducting. Different sessions were held throughout the two day period.

The symposium kicked off on Friday night with a session lead by President Maravene Loeschke. The goal was to get everyone to work together, and gain better understanding and feeling of music.

The president led the symposium participants in a series of unusual exercises. "The purpose of the exercises was to help them be more expressive as conductors," Loeschke said.

They did things such as getting into groups and making themselves into machines at command. For example, they had to resemble a jellyfish and a popcorn maker, all in 10 seconds. President Loeschke also asked them to dance freely around the theatre and later conduct a piece of music using whole body movements. "It was structured to take them on a journey," Loeschke said.

On Saturday, conducting associates each took a 20 minute turn to conduct Mansfield's Concert Wind Ensemble. The conducting associates this year were Lauren Bernard, Christine Eick, Timothy Eick, Eric Griffin, Brian Nivison, Aaron Robertson, Laura Weir and Brian Wilkins. All of the conducting associates each had previously earned either an undergraduate or graduate degree at Mansfield University.

Each associate chose a piece to play for their 20 minute time slot. Pieces included Gandolf, Lord of the Rings by Johann De Meij, Sketches on a Tudor Psalm by Fisher Tull and Lincolnshire Posy by Percy Grainger. They received taped and live feedback from the Symposium Clinicians, special guest Chief Warrant Officer Michael Smith, Dr. Adam Brennan and Dr. Nathan Rinnert.

The clinicians offered advice to the associates on displaying movement, expressiveness and tempo.

Sessions were also held to give advice on leadership. CWO Michael Smith talked to the participants about the conducting, from the score to the audience. There was also a panel discussion with topics that included score study, preparation and the importance of commissioning new works.

Wendy Griffin, one of the conducting associates participating, believes that the symposium was very beneficial. "It is great to hear feedback from professionals who know what they are talking about. When you are teaching in the school, you are the only one in the room who knows what they are doing," Griffin said.

Griffin also thought that it was enjoyable, and different. "It was refreshing, very refreshing. It's a different perspective," Griffin said. "After teaching the same high school students everyday, it is great to conduct a quality college ensemble."

Weekly Weather

TODAY

Snow showers

High: 15 Low: 5

FRIDAY

Snow flurries, wind

High: 22 Low: 9

SATURDAY

Partly cloudy

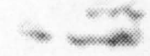
High: 26 Low:10

SUNDAY

Few snow showers

High: 24 Low: 9

MONDAY



Partly cloudy

High:28 Low: 1

TUESDAY

Partly Cloudy

High: 38 Low: 29

WEDNESDAY

Showers

High: 36 Low:22

Information taken from www.weather.com

Police Beat

February 10, 2007 - Underage consumption of alcohol, possession of an air rifle - Police received a complaint of a student on the hallway of Maple B, third floor, carrying an air rifle. The defendant, Christopher Kinner, 20, attempted to conceal the rifle and denied possession or knowledge of it. Kinner alledgedly had also consumed alcoholic beverages and was cited for underage drinking and was referred to residence life for the alcohol and air rifle violations.

February 9, 2007 - Underage consumption- John Stafford, 20, was cited for underage consumption after he fell asleep in the dorm room of another student that he did not know.

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SGA Update

By FEMI OGUNDELE

Flashlight Writer

This week in Student Government, College Community Services Incorporated (CCSI) representatives came in to voice their opposition to the recent discussions of the bookstore moving off campus. According to CCSI, research shows that schools similar in size of Mansfield University have actually lost money when moving off campus. Members of the administration believe, moving the bookstore to Main St. may help bring students to downtown Mansfield. SGA senate responded with the idea of a vendor fair, where local business could come up to campus and promote themselves to incoming freshman for the fall of 2007.

Committee on Finance (COF) president Paul Overwise, announced the approval to four new members last week. COF also approved the Biology Club for a white water rafting trip. There were also discussions for COF to require organizations to submit updated constitutions with their budget requests at the end of the semester.

Also this week, discussions were held concerning the reopening of "the hut" after 12 p.m. The Student Government senate believed administration should put the building in control of the student body and worry about more important aspects of the university. Student Government advisor, Jim Harrington called upon the executive board to come up with a proposal to give students a say in revitalizing the hut.

For questions, comments and concerns Student Government invites you to stop by the office located in AHUB room 317 from 11a.m. to 4 p.m.

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

◆**Mansfield University Baseball Clinics**

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◆Frederick Douglass Scholarships

The Frederick Douglass Institute is dedicated to promoting diversity and academic excellence at Mansfield University. Interested students may pick up applications in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center, Alumni Hall Student Center, or at Dr. Lynn Pifer's office, G 04b Belknap Hall.

For more information, visit: www.mansfield.edu/FDI/scholarship.htm

◆SAI and Phi Mu Alpha

Concert Benefitting AIDS Awareness

March 5, 2007 8:30 p.m.

at Steadman Theatre

All are welcome, so come and perform or just enjoy the entertainment!

Sesquicentennial Website recently unveiled to public

By LAURA HALL
Flashlight Writer

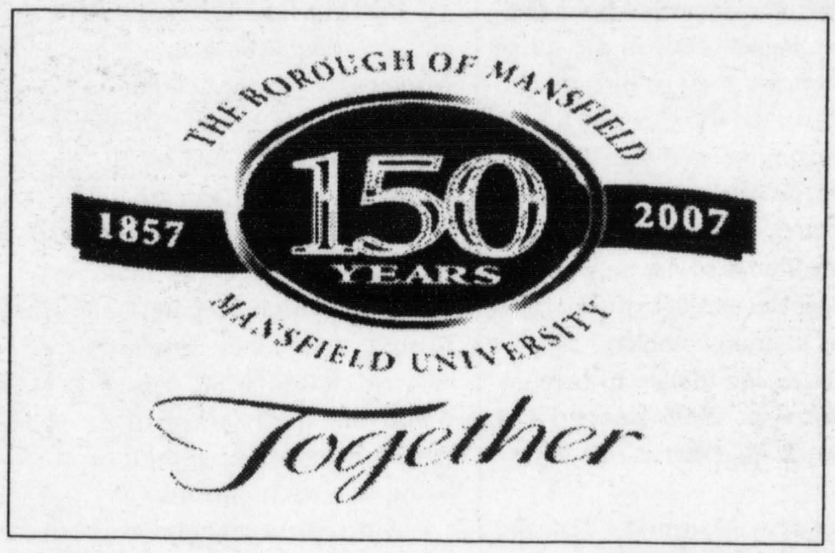
Mansfield University, along with the Sesquicentennial history committee and many other volunteers, unveiled the Sesquicentennial Website (http://150.mansfield.edu) in January.

The idea for the Sesquicentennial Website occurred at a meeting of the Sesquicentennial Committee. Dennis Miller is the Director of Public Relations and Publications for Mansfield University and co-chair of the Sesquicentennial Committee. Miller said that the website "was a way to communicate good information [about Mansfield University and the Borough of Mansfield] that others might not otherwise get." Miller also hopes the website "instills appreciation in students and community members."

Work began on the creation of the website at the beginning of last summer. Approximately fifteen people including volunteers, committee members, library archives workers, IT students, and Steve Orner and Chester Bailey, have invested many hours into the production of the Sesquicentennial Website. "This is the first time ever [that] so much history has been pulled together," Miller said.

There is one condition about the information that is put on the website; it must include both the town and the university. "The borough is responsible for creating a place of higher education," Miller said. One wouldn't exist without the other.

Included on the website are oral historical interviews with prominent people associated with the town and the university, a Mansfield University and Borough of Mansfield time line, an overview of the historical house tour given last December, the history of campus buildings and a photo gallery.



MU PUBLIC RELATIONS
The history of Mansfield University and the borough of Mansfield along with pictures and information about upcoming events can now be found online.

Additional information is to be added soon. Some of this information includes sections for news, photos and information on college presidents, a page about the founders of Mansfield Classical Seminary, a recording of Mansfield University's Alma Mater, and a page where students, faculty, staff, community members and visitors can share memories and thoughts about Mansfield. There will also be a section listing upcoming Sesquicentennial events.

The Sesquicentennial Website is "a work in progress," Miller said. New information, photos and artifacts are being discovered. When asked when the website will be completed Miller replied, "We will probably be working on it for the rest of our lives."

So far the reaction towards the Sesquicentennial Website has been really good, and it is hoped that a positive reaction will continue. Students are encouraged to use the information on the website in their own projects, since it isn't copyrighted. Students are also asked to contribute to a time capsule that is to be buried and then opened in 25 years.

"I'm lucky to be here and [be] involved in this project," Miller said "It is the single most important celebration of our lives."

Visit the Sesquicentennial Website at http://150.mansfield.edu

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Professor presents women under Islamic law in new light

By JILL KAUFFMAN
Special to the Flashlight

Dr. Jessica Coope, a History professor from the University of Nebraska, gave a presentation entitled "From a Single Soul: Women in Islamic Law" on Feb. 8 in Alumni Hall.

Coope began by going over basic vocabulary important in Islamic culture such as Koran, Hadiths and Muhammad. The Koran is similar to the Bible and is thought to be the direct speech of God, or Allah. The Hadiths are used to interpret the Koran and are records of what the prophet Muhammad said or did.

Coope believes it is important to understand Islamic law and culture. "We are politically and militarily involved, but people have little knowledge of the region," Coope said.

Coope mentioned the many influences on Islamic law which include Christianity, Judaism, Roman law, Persian law and Arabic customs. She also stressed that the treatment of women in Islamic countries is based more on culture than religion.

Coope thought that there was one point that was particularly important for students to remember. "There is nothing inherently bad for women in Islamic law," Coope said.

The Women's Studies Program will also be hosting Tissa Hami, a female Muslim stand up comic, on Mar. 27 in Straughn Hall.

Because the Koran is the main scripture in Islam, Coope gave examples of passages from the Koran. The passages she chose showed that the Koran gives a conflicting view of women. Some passages made men superior while others showed men and women as being equals. She also pointed out similar differences are shown in the Bible.

After giving the audience a basic understanding of Islamic law, Coope addressed the issues of women in Islamic law. She noted that women do have some rights, including divorce rights.

PHOTO FROM SOCIALEDGE.COM
Dr. Coope discussed the hijab, a traditional garment headdress worn by Middle Eastern women.

Polygamy was a common practice in Islamic culture and the prophet Muhammad had many wives. He treated each wife equally. Sophomore Ashley Broschart was startled by this new information. "I was surprised to learn about the dedication Muhammad had to his wives and how he treated them equally," Broschart said.

Coope discussed the hijab which is the veil or headscarf that women wear. Many Western people and Middle Eastern feminists see the hijab as a sign of oppression. Some women have a different view and believe the hijab reflects cultural tradition. There is also little pressure to lose weight or get cosmetic surgery as there is in the United States.

Although women do have some rights and protections, Coope said that the society is not as egalitarian as modern society in the United States. When asked if the women want change, Dr. Coope said that most women want to see a change in their legal status. This view varies by region.

'ROCK'

Some of the previous events have included a Women and Sexuality Forum, and volunteering every Saturday morning at eight o'clock in Williamsport with an Academic Performing Arts program. Another upcoming event is the African American's "What if They Were Here Today" on Feb. 27.

Guerrier said that the Men In Progress organization hopes to have a greater impact on the campus.

"We are trying to make the University a better place; a place where people want to be and get everyone involved," Guerrier said.

Talking vaginas help fight violence against women and girls

By SARAH RAUB
Special to the Flashlight

On Feb. 15 and 16, Mansfield University students will be presenting "The Vagina Monologues", a benefit production to help raise awareness and stop violence against women and girls.

The show will be held in North Manser Dining hall at 8 p.m. each night. Also, a special midnight show will be held after the first show on Thursday.

The program is to help raise money for V-Day, an organization and global movement dedicated to stopping rape, incest, battery, genital mutilation and sexual slavery against women. The date is set on February 14, Valentine's Day, and college campuses all over the country are invited to participate in helping to raise awareness and money for this cause by performing "The Vagina Monologues" on or around this date. This is the fourth year the university has participated.

Steph Lynch is a junior at Mansfield and three-year participant of the V-Day movement. "V-day is truly a wonderful thing. When I first heard about it during my freshman year, I really didn't know anything at all," Lynch said.

"When I did 'The Vagina Monologues' for the first time in 2005, I found out that V-day is not just celebrated in the US, but it is a global movement to end violence against women. Who wouldn't want to stand for that?"

Anyone in a campus community can organize and participate in a V-Day event. The organizers hold auditions for "The Vagina Monologues" early in the spring semester. Once the parts are cast, they go directly into weekly rehearsals to prepare for the show. The girls learn their monologues on their own time and then assemble to put it together. "We put a lot of our own passion and emotions into our monologues," Lynch said.

All of the actors are dedicated to not only put on an entertaining show, but get the message that violence against women and girls is a serious problem. By performing these skits they are raising money, to help the millions of suffering women. In 2006 alone, 1,150 colleges and communities put together 2,700 V-Day events.

Corey Tarreto is a junior at Mansfield. "I'm sure I've heard these monologues over a hundred times but every year someone new performs them and they bring their own experiences to the piece and it's new again," Tarreto said.

With the help of Mansfield University students and community members, Lynch has no doubt that this year, just like every year, will be a success.

A testimonial from the V-Day website says: "A friend who had told me that she didn't understand why we were doing 'The Vagina Monologues' and didn't see the point in always talking about 'those things' came to the performance, and the next day told me it had changed her life."

Updates bring new flavor to Manser dining hall

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Writer

Manser is being updated during the spring semester because the building is older and updates will improve the dining experience.

Some updates that are already in place are the made-to-order deli which prepares cold or toasted sandwiches. Students are able to choose what bread they would like their sandwich on. A sign is hung about the kiosk offering sandwich options.

A new pizza program has been designed by several different chefs. The chefs created recipes for specialty pizza which are offered along with the normal cheese and pepperoni pizzas. Strombolies and calzones are rotated into the choices so students can decide what they like.

There is a new cold stone kiosk offering ice-cream with toppings mixed into the dessert. Manser employees fold any dessert topping of the person's choice into any ice-cream chosen.

On Feb. 13 the Red Hot Chef station was opened in a new position. The kiosk was moved from behind the "center stage" to against a wall among the tables. "We wanted to spread out the kiosks so people can mingle and not be around one area," Cummings said.

The salad bar was altered for better presentation to the students. Fruits, puddings, and dressings are rotated in the salad bar line. The dessert table was moved from the wall near South Side to the "center stage" area, which is also for a better presentation.

Another new feature which is also for presentation purposes is the food in the classic line. The food was kept heated last semester by a method called bain marie. Bain marie style of heating food is done by keeping food in a shallow pan over warm water. This semester the food is kept warm by bain marie tiles, which are heated tiles. Cummings revealed that after spring break, students will see a new change on South Side.

Scott Cummings is the General Manager of Mansfield Dining Services. "The presentation of the food in the classic line looks better sitting in pans rather than sitting in warm water like buffet restaurants," Cummings said.

Another update has come in the form of trash. Cummings has changed trash companies and instituted recycling in Lower Manser. The Environmental Awareness Club and Cummings are working together to get students to recycle plastic and glass.

In Lower Manser and Jazzman's, promotional sandwiches and drinks are served. The food is meant to bring new flavor to the menus. The items change monthly. The registers record how many sandwiches or drinks are sold. At the end of the semester, Cummings reviews what was sold the most. The menus are then altered the following semester with popular food choices.

Jazzman's will soon be undergoing updates as well. Donna Kennedy is the Manager of Jazzman's Café. "We will be getting a new oven and work on getting breakfast sandwiches on the menu," Kennedy said. Jazzman's will be the next area of concentration upon completion of Upper and Lower Manser updates.

Manser Dining Services have a new website which is being updated. The website still has glitches, but when it is functional, the weekly menu will be displayed along with other updates in Manser.

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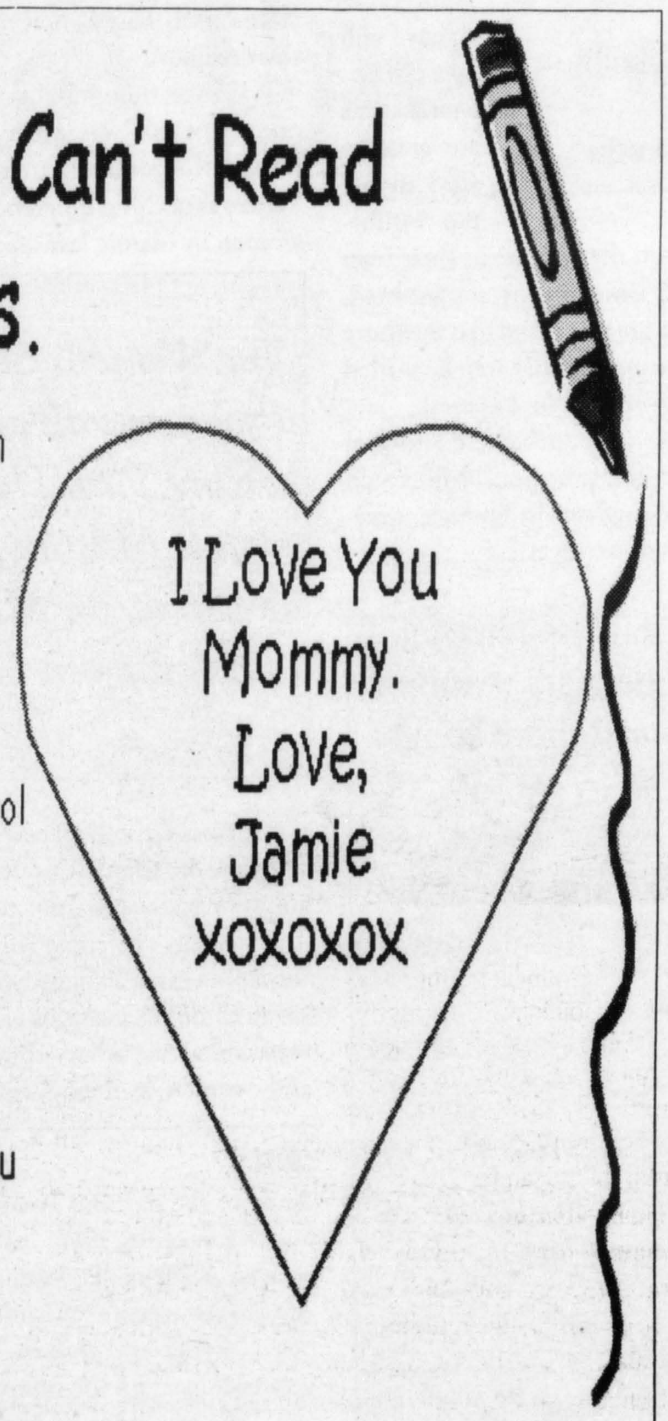

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Mansfield University Events Calendar

Thursday, Feb. 15

Event: 7:45 a.m.- Cultural/Spiritual trip to Monastery in Horseheads, NY Meet van outside Laurel

Event: V-Day Mansfield 2007: Benefit performance of Eve Ensler's play, "The Vagina Monologues." Two performances- 8p.m. show is in Manser Hall and Midnight show is in Room 307 Alumni Hall Student Center:

Friday, Feb. 16

Event: Black History Month Program: "The Future of Aerospace: A Tribute to Ronald McNair", presented by James E. Hubbard Jr, Langley Distinguished Professor at the National Institute of Aerospace at the University of Maryland. Location: Room 317 Alumni Hall Student Center

Event: 8 p.m.- V-Day Mansfield 2007 benefit performance of Eve Ensler's play, "The Vagina Monologues" takes place in North Manser.

Saturday, Feb. 17

Music: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.- horn workshop- Butler Music Center.

Sunday, Feb. 18

Music 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.- horn workshop- Butler Music Center.

Music 3 p.m.- Horn workshop concert with concert wind ensemble and orchestra- Steadman Theatre.

Monday, Feb. 19

Event: Visitation day- 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Steadman Theatre.

Tuesday, Feb. 20

Event: Faculty lecture series event- 307 Alumni Student Center. Dr. Leslie Clifford, Biology, & Lauren Boeckel "Reversing the Decline of the Eastern Bluebird; What Can Your Do! A Faculty Professional Development Committee funded Faculty-Student Research Project."

Wednesday, Feb. 21

Event: Resume writing tips- 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., 314 Alumni Hall Student Center.

What in the World News in a Flash

By ANDREW OSTROSKI
Flashlight News Co-Editor

WORLD NEWS

BEIJING, China- The North Korean government has tentatively agreed to the dismantling of its nuclear program after years of pressure from the United States and other nations. In exchange for this, North Korea is asking for energy aid from outside sources. This near-ending comes after two years of stalled talks between North Korea, The United States, Russia, Japan, China, and South Korea. The draft that North Korean leader Kim Jong Il is approving is a preliminary draft, and more changes may be forthcoming. North Korea tested a low-yield nuclear weapon in October, yielding sanctions from the United Nations. U.S. officials are confident that the North Korean government is sincere about dismantling their nuclear program.

CANBERRA, Australia- The Australian prime minister is not backing down from comments he made regarding Illinois Senator and Presidential candidate Barack Obama. Prime Minister John Howard said in a press interview on Sunday that if he were running al Qaeda, he "would put a circle around March 2008, and pray, as many times as possible, for a victory not only for Obama, but also for the Democrats." Howard claimed that his comments were geared towards Obama's plan to withdraw troops from Iraq if he is elected President. Statements have been made regarding the fact that if a President were elected who would withdraw troops, terrorism could again flourish in Iraq. Prime Minister Howard is a very close ally of President Bush. Democratic and Republican government officials alike have stated their disdain for Howard's remarks.

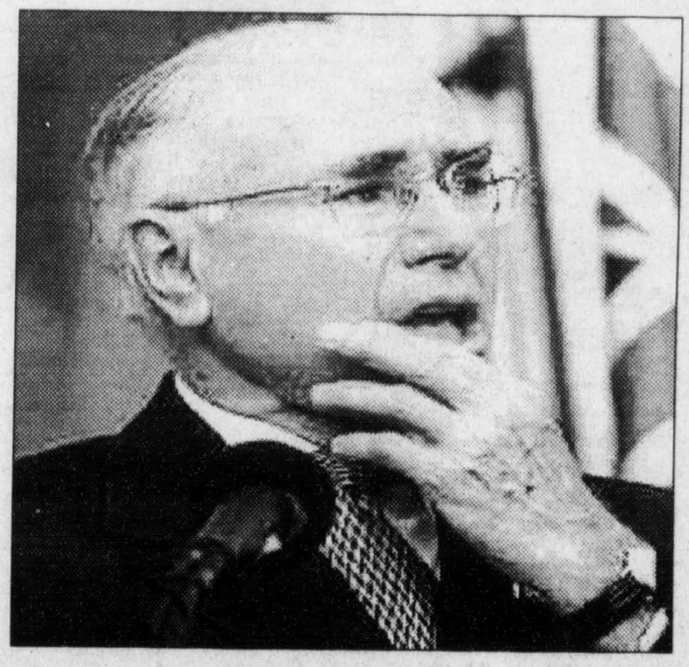


PHOTO FROM NEWPROPHECY.NET
Australian Prime Minister John Howard is in hot water with American politicians over comments he made regarding Illinois Senator Barack Obama.

CAJA, Mozambique- Floods have ravaged Mozambique in areas around the Zambezi River, leaving 68,000 homeless and possibly forcing the evacuation of up to 280,000 more residents. Rain from the neighboring nations of Zimbabwe, Zambia, and Malawi have caused dams to overflow, flooding the Zambezi. At least 29 deaths have been blamed on the flood so far. Many residents are being caught in flood plains infested with crocodiles and surrounded by steep, rocky cliff slopes made of poor soil. The government fears that this flooding will surpass the damage of flooding that occurred in 2000 and 2001 that killed over 700 people and left millions of people homeless. However, according to Mozambique's disaster teams, the nation is better prepared to cope with this level of flooding than it was six years ago.

LOCAL NEWS

YORK, Pennsylvania- Striking workers at the York Harley-Davidson motorcycle plant in York were joined on the picket lines by members of the local chocolate workers union from nearby Hershey. Three-dozen workers from the Union 464 Chocolate Workers walked the picket lines with the Harley-Davidson workers, who are represented by the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers (IAM) Local 175. The Harley Davidson workers have been on strike since 2,800 employees rejected the company's contract proposals. Manufacturers from the Harley-Davidson plant walked picket lines in 2002 when workers in Hershey went on strike. Chocolate workers union officials have said that they will picket alongside the Harley-Davidson employees every weekend until the strike is over. The York plant produces touring and softail motorcycles for the Milwaukee-based company.

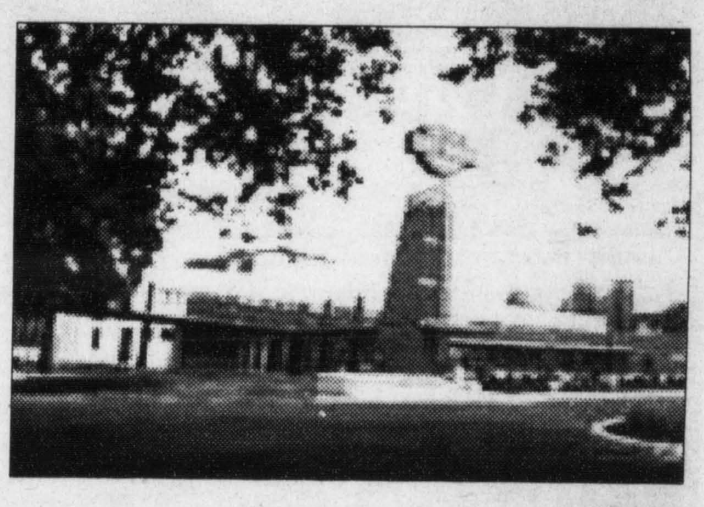


PHOTO FROM HARLEY-DAVIDSON.COM
Workers at the Harley-Davidson motorcycle plant in York have been on strike since the beginning of the month.

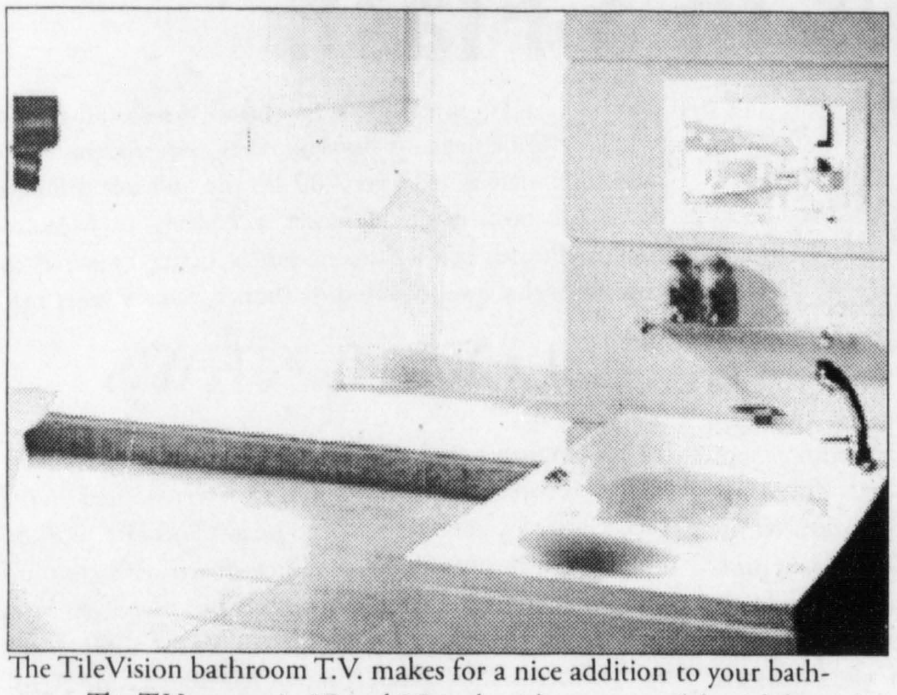
LINDLEY, New York- Two fugitives wanted in connection with a drug ring that was recently broken up in Pennsylvania were caught hiding out on a farm in Steuben County, New York, just north of the state line. Glenn Glover, 37, and Cheryl Gilbert, 36, were found hiding under loose hay in a barn and in the middle of a field respectively on the grounds of the farm in the town of Lindley. The two were wanted in connection with five other people who were arrested in a home in Nelson township, Tioga County on Feb. 1. Those arrested in Nelson township were all being held on related drug dealing charges. The ring was related to cocaine trafficking in the area, and several of the individuals involved are accused of selling drugs to undercover officers. Glover and Gilbert are awaiting extradition to Pennsylvania to face charges.

All information taken from cnn.com, wgal.com, and wetmtv.com

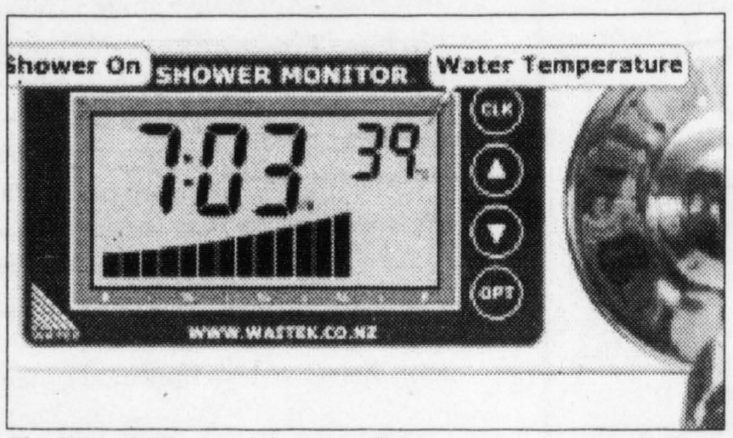
Discover new ways to "pimp out" your bathroom

By JOE SEROSKI
Features Co-Editor

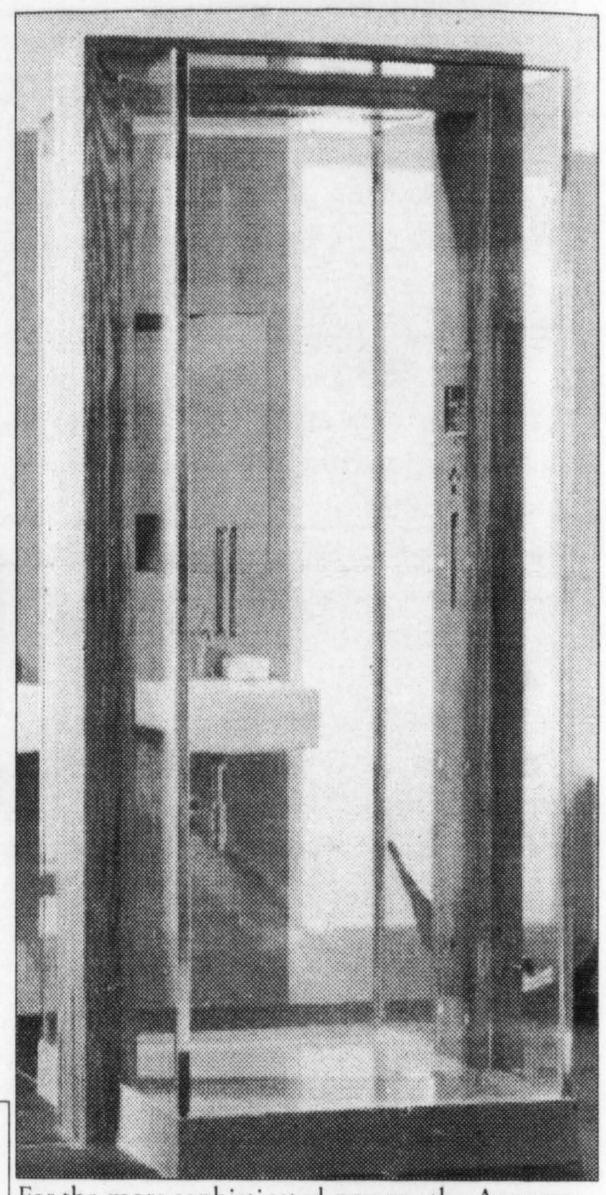
Ever go into your bathroom and wish it was a lot more exciting? Sometimes don't you wish you had a nice lighted toilet seat? Or maybe you're like me and wish you had an Xbox 360, flatscreen T.V., laptop, refrigerator and Tivo at your fingertips because sometimes those trips to the "john" last a lot longer than you wish they would. Here, we have included part of PC Magazine's bizarre bathroom contraptions.



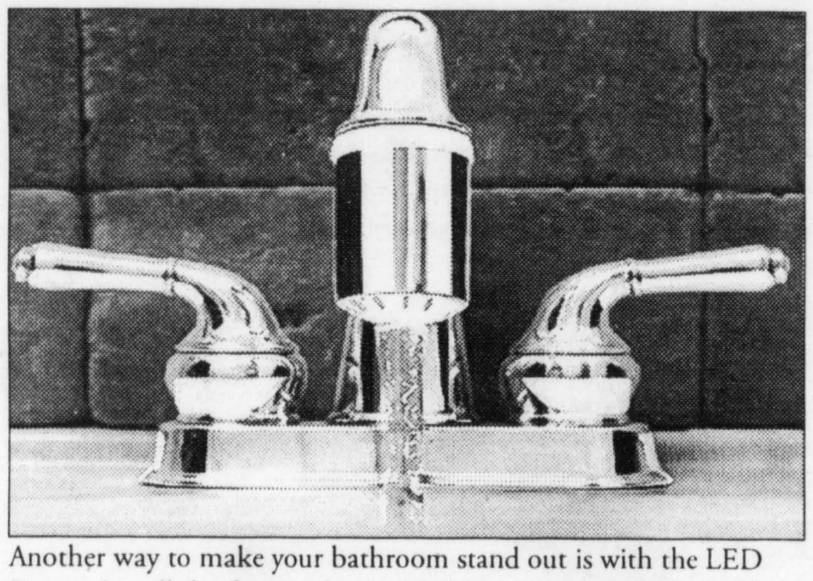
The TileVision bathroom T.V. makes for a nice addition to your bathroom. The T.V. comes in 17 and 23-inch widescreen models with heated glass front-panels, a built-in FM radio and is waterpoof.



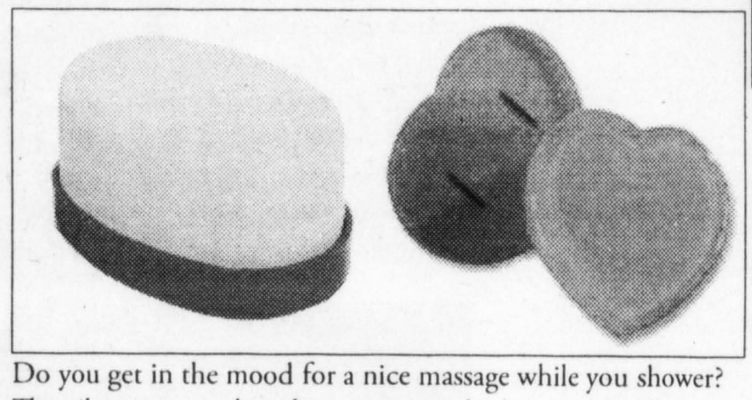
The Waitek Shower Monitor allows you to measure water flow and temperature to calculate hot water usage which then allows you to save on water costs. You can set the water monitor to turn off at a certain time if you wish and if it is not off at that time a loud beeping sound will emulate until it is turned off. The monitor comes in left and right handed models.



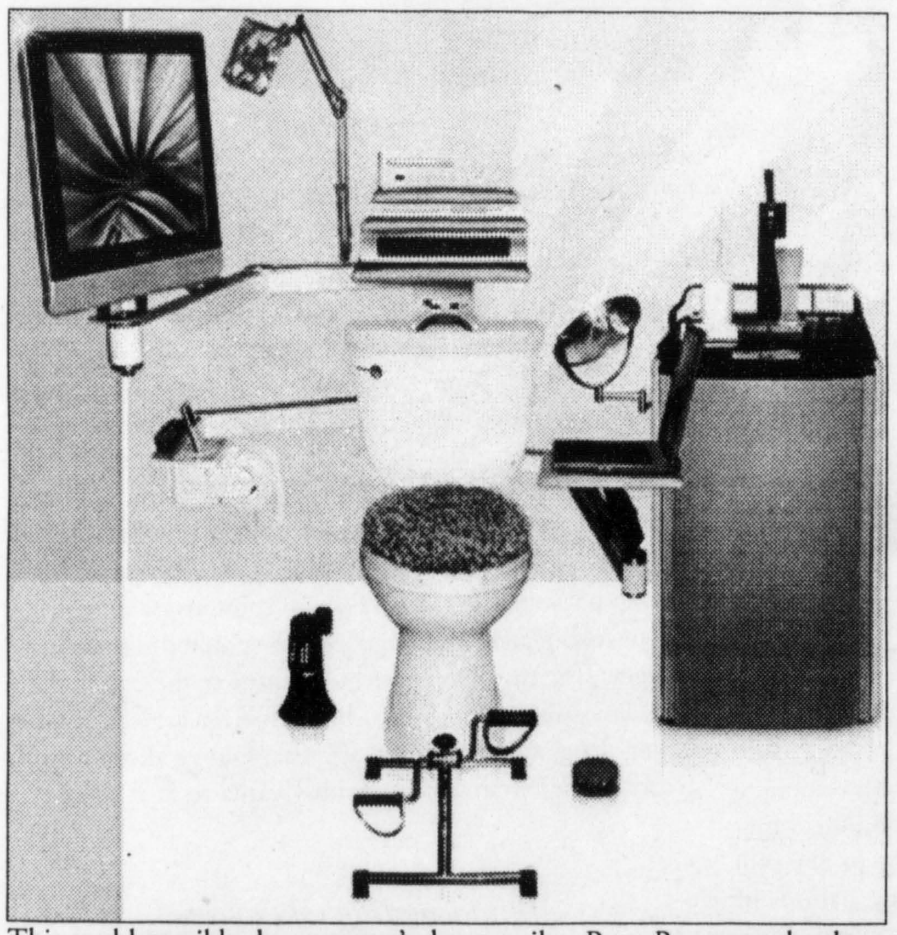
For the more sophisticated person, the Aquagate steam shower cabin is the perfect choice. Its glass walls have an LCD touch screen with a USB port that allows you to select MP3 files, radio, or four programs: Wake up, fitness, relax and feel good. The eight side jets allow you to relax after a long, hard day.



Another way to make your bathroom stand out is with the LED Faucet. Install the faucet adapters and turn it on to watch the blue LED lights illuminate the running water.

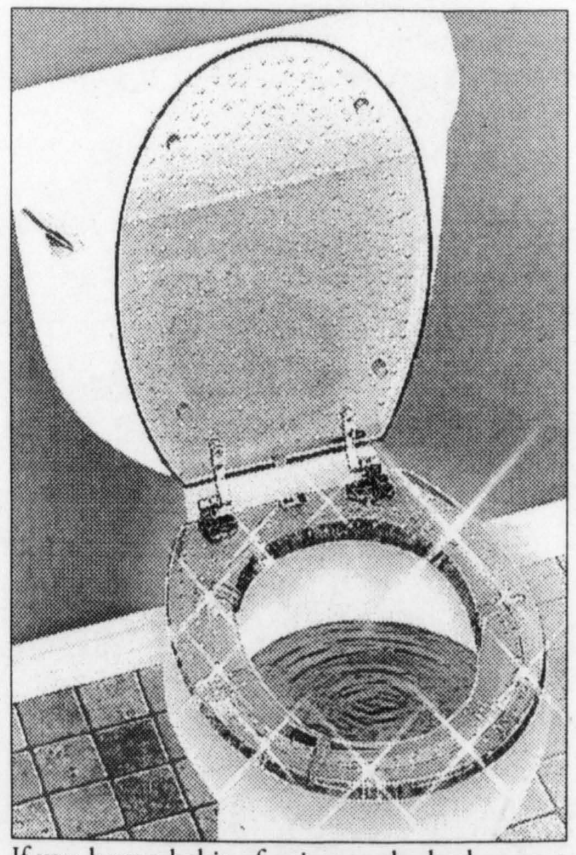


Do you get in the mood for a nice massage while you shower? The vibrating soap bar cleanses you and relaxes you at the same time. When you take the bar off the holder it starts to vibrate; Put it back and it stops. Each bar gives off a scent as well. Bars come in red, blue, pink, or heart shaped.



This could possibly be everyone's dream toilet. Roto-Rooter, a plumbing and cleaning service, is giving away the toilet in its "pimped out john" sweepstakes. The toilet comes with all the bathroom essentials. Equipped with an Xbox 360, Tivo, refrigerator with beer tap, IPOD deck with tissue paper holder, USB operated drink warmer, laptop and pedal exerciser, the "pimped out john" is sure to make your bathroom the best room in the house.

Ladies, are you sick of boys leaving the toilet seat up after they go to the bathroom? HomeHelper Line has introduced the Toilet Seat Lifter which does exactly as the name implies. It's activated by your foot and automatically lifts and releases the seat so women can rest-assured the seat is down next time they go to the bathroom.



If you have a habit of going to the bathroom a lot during the night and don't turn on the light, or you're like me and you sit on the toilet bow sometimes because the seat is up, the cordless lighted toilet seat (powered by three AA batteries) is the answer to all your problems. Lifting the toilet seat lid causes 10 blue LED lights to illuminate and help guide your butt to the seat.

MU band Jersey Bound Trunk Crew chosen as MTV U's Artist of the Week

By MIKE LENGEL
Flashlight Writer

When Ryan Dalton, or Emcee Hype, heard that he and his band, Jersey Bound Trunk Crew, had been selected to be MTV U's Artist of the Week, "We thought it was a hoax. I mean, we don't enter contests or Battle of the Bands or anything like that." But it was real. They had been selected as the tenth Artist of the Week for MTV U only a few days after posting their music on the website.

Drawn from a number of diverse influences, Jersey Bound Trunk Crew is a unique blend of hip hop and punk rock. Consisting of Emcee Hype, DJ Gumshu and Party Picasso, they got their name from their experiences as a band. "Wherever we moved and whatever happened with the band, we always stuck together and we always ended up back in New Jersey," said Dalton. Their experiences together have been plentiful. They all attended William Patterson University in New Jersey. They lived in Orlando together while DJ Gumshu was receiving his degree in recording and was later hired by Bennett Studios in New York City. Hype has an MA in English and writes for Mountain Home Magazine, based in Wellsboro.

"Party [Picasso] just writes beats all day long. That kid never stops working" Dalton laughed.

The winner of the MTV U Artist of the Week competition will win a $1.5 million record deal with Epic Records. The winner will be picked in March, yet Dalton says he and the band aren't sure how they will actually win. As for the future, though, win or lose, Dalton assures the band will continue making music.

"We're working on an EP right now, about seven or eight tracks. Just to have something newer. Everything we've done has been better than the last" he comments. "But we're getting better each time."

Seeing as how the Mansfield music scene (or lack thereof) is anything but prosperous and popular, a quick 15 minutes of fame might do some good. "If anything, it will help people realize that it doesn't matter where you're from or if you're in a 'scene'. It's just a matter of if you love making music or writing songs, then to just do it," Dalton said.

"The recognition - even though it's not what we strive for - it was a pleasant surprise."

Jersey Bound Trunk Crew's MySpace page is www.myspace.com/jerseyboundtrunkcrew. There you can hear songs, get contact information, and information on new albums and releases.

Photo taken from mtvU.com.

Previous Artists of the Week

Rhythm Ruckus - Tufts University
Madelyn - Florida Atlantic University
Sarah Barr - NYU
Otto Vector - Antioch College
Maesa Rae - Hampshire College
Sighlo - Ohio State U. Columbus
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Review: All facets of love covered in comedic musical

By MIKE LENGEL
Flashlight Writer

Wellsboro's Arcadia Theater held three performances of Joe DiPietro and Jimmy Roberts' musical "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change" this past weekend. With a final three to be held on Feb. 16, 17 and 18.

The comedic musical, whose tagline states, "Everything you have ever secretly thought about dating, romance, marriage, lovers, husbands, wives and in-laws, but were afraid to admit," was originally produced in New York by James Hammerstein, Bernie Kukoff (co-creator of "Diff'rent Strokes"), and Jonathon Pollard.

In its Wellsboro performance, a Hamilton-Gibson Production, the direction is taken over by Thomas W. Putnam. Mansfield University's own Dr. Sue Young stars in the play, along with Mansfield graduate Thomas Dalton, Mansfield student David Wert, Cindi Zigarski, and Tom Walrath, Jr.

The play, which pounds its fists on the sensitive skin of relationships, appeals to people of all ages. Though no real plotline or main characters exist, the scenes consist of different situations throughout relationships such as the first date, the first kiss, the meeting of families, weddings, funerals, children, and, most attentively, sex. The audience is made sure very early that this is not a play for the shy and quiet, as the lone five actors on stage together toss off their robes and stand in nothing but underwear in the very first minutes of the production. Dalton, who played such diverse roles as an old man, a teenager, a tired husband and a proud-to-be-a-man man, said "Everyone had a blast doing it. We had about three weeks to rehearse, so everyone got real comfortable with each other in that time and I think that's part of what made it so fun."

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According to hamiltongibson.org, "Nobody gets naked, but they sure do have a lot fun." Front row, from left: Cindi Zigarski and K. Sue Young. Back row, from left: David Wert, Tom Walrath Jr., and Thomas Dalton.

The play was backed by solo piano accompaniment by Cherilyn Ayres and was performed on a small stage with familiar props and costumes to make it feel very comfortable and domestic.

Next on the schedule for Hamilton-Gibson Productions is Harper Lee's "To Kill a Mockingbird," to take place on March 16, 17, and 18. For more information, visit www.hamiltongibson.org.

Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has overcome while trying to succeed.

Booker T. Washington

That . . . man . . . says women can't have as much rights as man, cause Christ wasn't a woman. Where did your Christ come from? . . . From God and a woman. Man had nothing to do with him.

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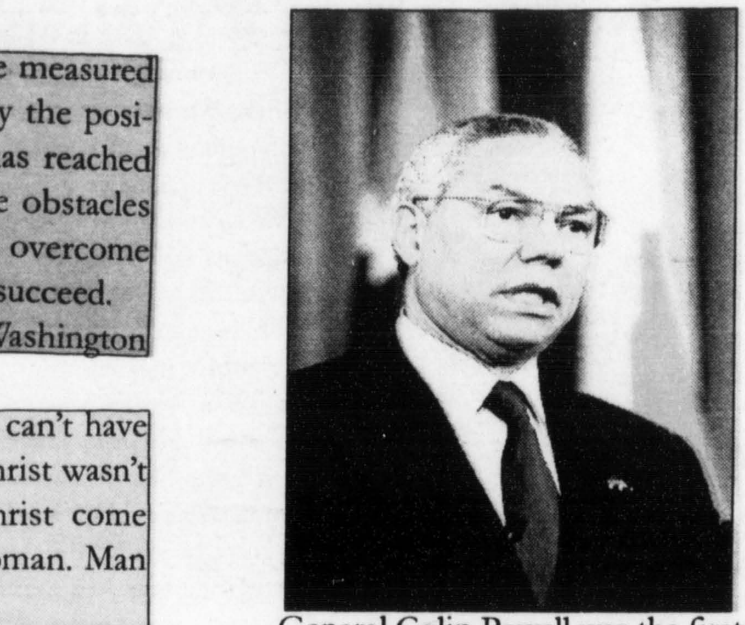

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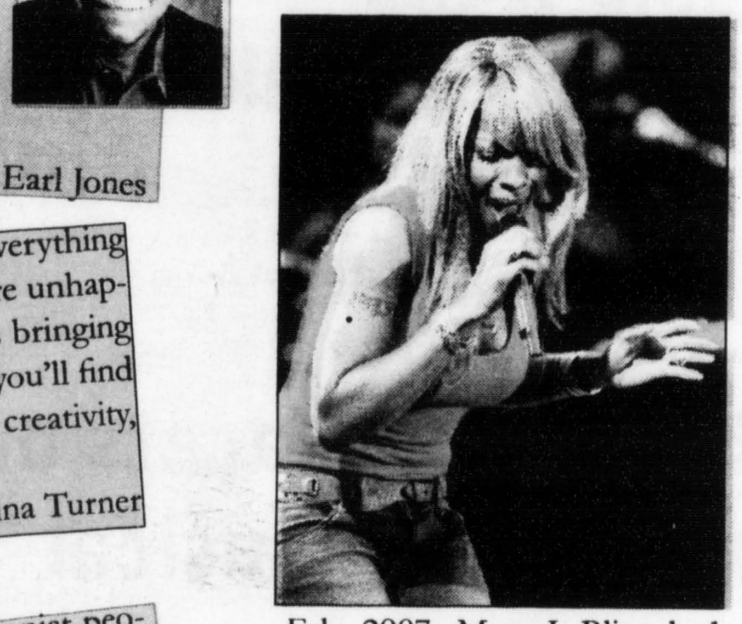

Feb. 2007, Mary J. Blige had eight Grammy nominations - the most ever for an African-American woman. She won three out of the eight.

When I read great literature, great drama, speeches, or sermons, I feel that the human mind has not achieved anything greater than the ability to share feelings and thoughts through language.

James Earl Jones

Sometimes you've got to let everything go—purge yourself . . . If you are unhappy with anything . . . whatever is bringing you down, get rid of it. Because you'll find that when you're free, your true creativity, your true self comes out.

Tina Turner

American means white, and Africanist people struggle to make the term applicable to themselves with ethnicity and hyphen after hyphen.

Toni Morrison

If we accept and acquiesce in the face of discrimination, we accept the responsibility ourselves and allow those responsible to salve their conscience by believing that they have our acceptance and concurrence. We should, therefore, protest openly everything . . . that smacks of discrimination or slander.

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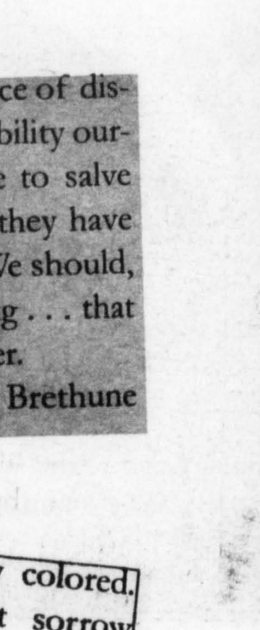
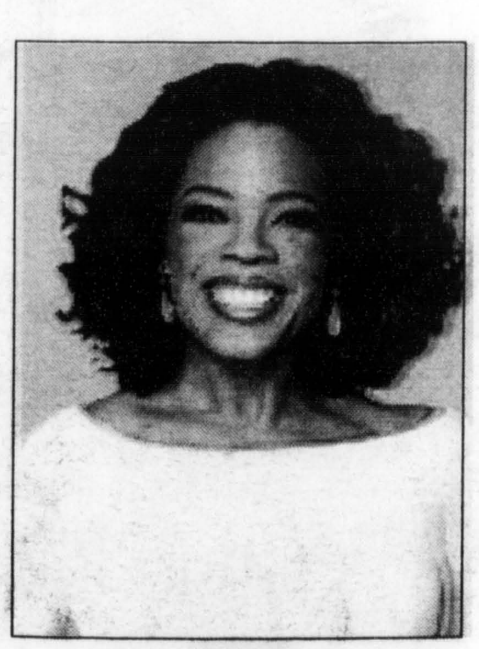


Allyson Felix sets new American record in the women's 300 meter dash and claims the fifth fastest time recorded in history.

In January 2005, Condoleezza Rice became the Secretary of State. She was the first African American woman to hold the post.



In 2005, Oprah Winfrey joins "Fortune's" Billion Dollar list with assets of $1.3 billion. Winfrey has done numerous charitable activities within the United States and around the world.

I am not tragically colored. There is no great sorrow dammed up in my soul, nor lurking behind my eyes. . . . Even in the helter-skelter skirmish that is my life, I have seen that the world is to the strong regardless of a little pigmentation more or less. No, I do not weep at the world—I am too busy sharpening my oyster knife.

Zora Neal Hurston

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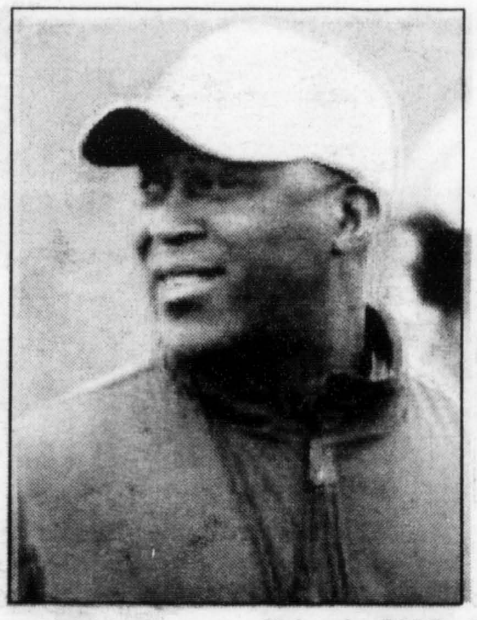
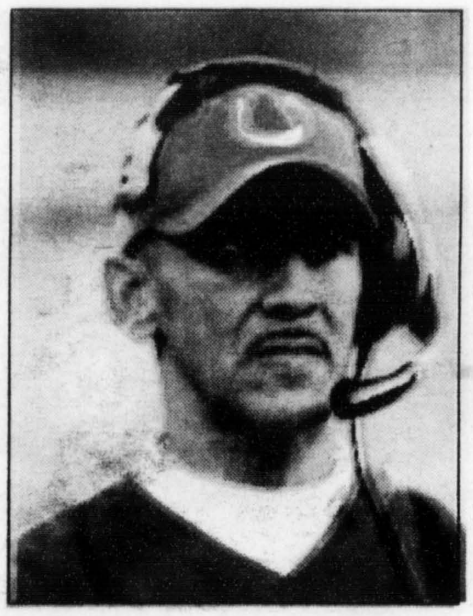
In 1993, Toni Morrison became the first African-American to win the Nobel Prize for Literature. She has written six novels, including "Beloved" and "Song of Solomon."

In 2002, Vonetta Flowers became the first African-American to win the gold medal. She won as part of a bobsled team.

March 24, 2003, Halle Berry becomes the first African-American woman to receive an Academy Award for best actress





Feb. 4, 2007, Lovie Smith of the Chicago Bears and Tony Dungy of Indianapolis Colts were the first African-American headcoaches to coach in the Super Bowl.

You have seen how a man was made a slave; you shall see how a slave was made a man.

Frederick Douglass

I am America. I am the part you won't recognize. But get used to me. Black, confident, cocky; my name, not yours; my religion, not yours; my goals, my own; get used to me.

Muhammad Ali

There will always be men struggling to change, and there will always be those who are controlled by the past.

Ernest J. Gaines

My father was a slave and my people died to build this country, and I'm going to stay right here and have a part of it, just like you. And no fascist-minded people like you will drive me from it. Is that clear?

Paul Robeson

I felt that one had better die fighting against injustice than to die like a dog or rat in a trap. I had already determined to sell my life as dearly as possible if attacked. I felt if I could take one lyncher with me, this would even up the score a little bit.

Ida B. Wells

The battles that count aren't the ones for gold medals. The struggles within yourself—the invisible, inevitable battles inside all of us—that's where it's at.

Jesse Owens

"We, the people." It is a very eloquent beginning. But when that document [the Preamble to the US Constitution] was completed on the seventeenth of September in 1787 I was not included in that "We, the people." I felt somehow for many years that George Washington and Alexander Hamilton, just left me out by mistake. But through the process of amendment, interpretation and court decision I have finally been included in "We, the people."

Barbara C. Jordan

Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"

The campus of Central Connecticut State University is in an uproar over an opinion piece published in the university paper, *The Recorder*. The piece which was supposed to be a satire on the sensationalism of today's media was titled, "Rape Only hurts If You Fight It."

The article talks about the supposed "benefits" rape has brought to society over the years. It says that rape is a " magical experience" and a blessing to "ugly women that would never experience the joy of intercourse with a man that isn't drunk."

Obviously the campus is outraged. Students have organized multiple rallies and protests since the article was printed on Feb. 7. Victims of sexual assault, campus organizations and faculty have spoken out against the article and are calling for the resignation of the opinion editor, John Petroski, who wrote the article and the editor-in-chief of the paper, Mark Rowan.

The Recorder's office has experienced multiple acts of vandalism, things have been stolen and the staff has had the call the police numerous times to stand guard by the office.

Petroski has been demoted from opinion editor to staff writer and Rowan has made no signs of resigning. Rowan admits that the satire was in poor taste and apologized for the people that the article harmed but at the same time is defending Petroski saying that he is a gifted satirist whose message "fell on deaf ears."

Rowan says the article proved the point it was trying to make because the only thing the campus is talking about it the rape article and nothing else in the paper.

I don't care what kind of point the article proved, it was in bad taste and completely irresponsible of *The Recorders* staff to print.

Petroski has since announced that he is planning on participating in a "Rape Walk" and issued a statement of apology separate from that of the paper.

Of course there is the issue of first amendment rights. As a journalist and an American - of course I believe in the right to free speech. However, this article is just crossing the line. The idea that rape could ever be a good thing is ridiculous and I find it appalling that the editor of the paper let this article be printed. It is in completely horrible taste and crosses so many lines. There is no way that rape could ever advance society, it holds it back!

The topic of rape is like the holocaust - just one of those things you don't joke about no matter what your trying to prove. The trauma that rape victims go through after the fact is unspeakable and many have problems for years following the attack.

When you hold a position of power, whether it be in the campus newspaper or the history club you represent that organization with every decision that you make. *The Recorder* did not make a very good decision when it chose to represent itself with this type of material.

It also misrepresented the campus, generally the campus newspaper is supposed to represent the campus it serves, the people that run the paper hold fairly high positions of power (at least I like to think so) and this would never be the type of thing I would choose to represent my paper and campus.

Freedom of speech-- but how far is too far?

As I was perusing the internet this week looking for interesting news I came across one of the most shocking and outrageous things I've ever seen.

What do you think?

E-mail us your thoughts at flashlit@mansfield.edu

Rape Statistics

- According to the National Victim Center, 683,000 women are raped each year
- In a study of 6,000 students at 32 colleges in the US, 1 in 4 women had been the victims of rape or attempted rape
- In 8 out of 10 rape cases, the victim knows the perpetrator
- Only 2 percent of rapists are convicted and imprisoned
- The United States has the world's highest rape rate of the countries that publish such statistics. It's 4 times higher than Germany, 13 times higher than England, and 20 times higher than Japan

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Students that protested held signs saying things "Take back the recorder" and "Real men don't rape." The Recorder's office has experienced numerous cases of vandalism since the article was published.

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4p-6p			Emo with Erock	We Interrupt this Program	Michelle and Danelle		Mountie Sports (1-5)
6p-8p	The Shoutout Show			Mountie Sports (7-9)			An Evening of Classic Rock (7-8 Pink Floyd Hour)
8p-10p	The Combover Show	Connie and Kate	Time Warp	Mountie Sports (7-9)	The Last Ride		An Evening of Classic Rock
10p-12a	The Show With No Name	Monday Mix	Guilty Pleasures	Double Shot Wednesdays	Ready, Set, Rock!		Super Cheese Late Nights
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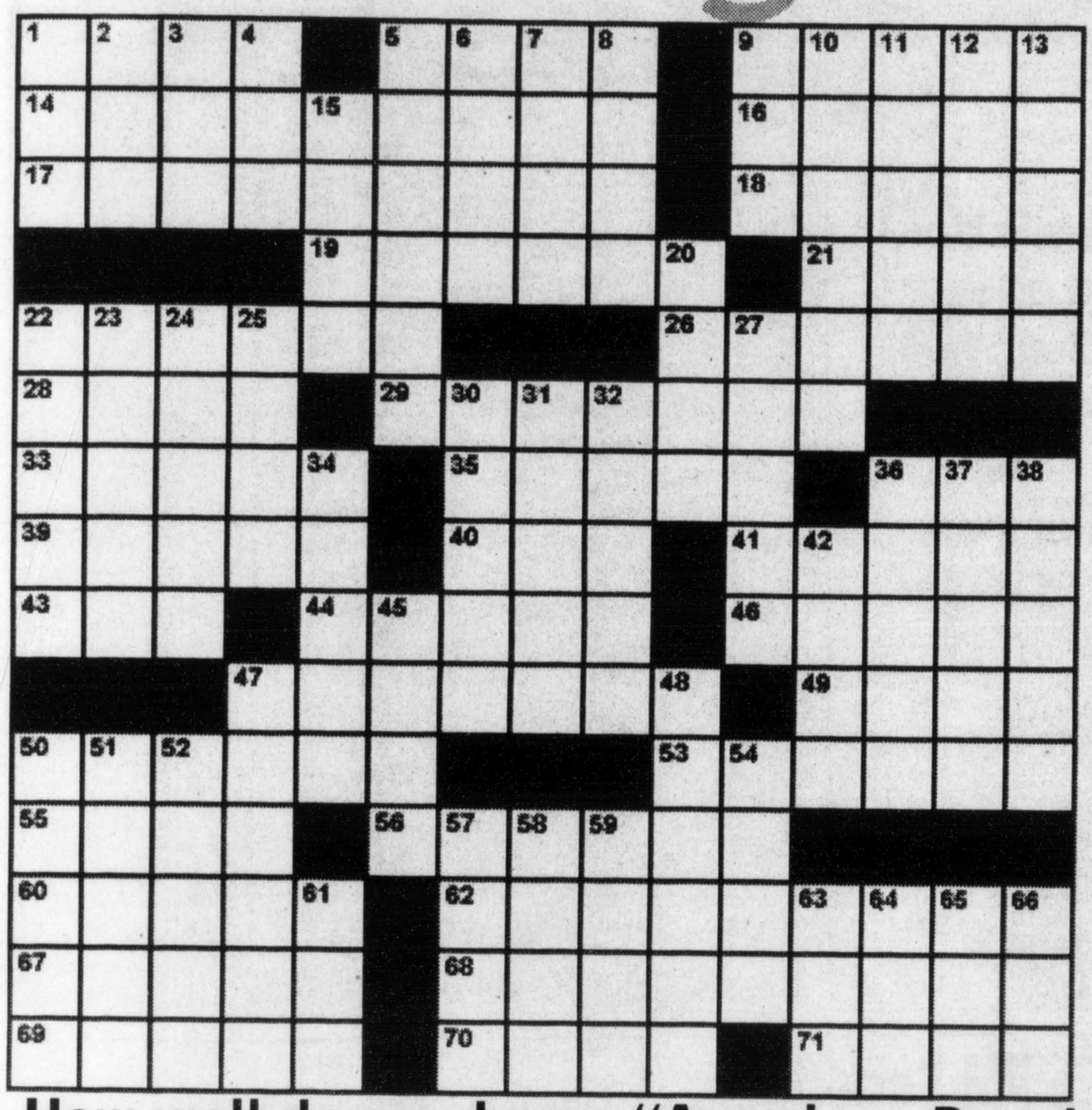

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5. Against prefix
9. Totaled
14. Activaters
16. Skin layer
17. Element #70
18. Snub
19. Least
21. Hipped on
22. Forever and ever
26. Preoccupy
28. Schooner adjunct
29. Sans the six percent
33. Nasal cavity
35. Certain blues
36. Go bad
39. Scent
40. Building addition
41. Mournful piece of music
43. College student card
44. Greek instrument made from turtle shell
46. Dutch flower
47. Warriors with big sticks
49. Large church area
50. Yellow tropical melon
53. Approved
55. Goofs up
56. Make less than zero
60. Wee building
62. 3D cartographic display
67. Goodie on the radio
68. Liquid proof
69. College entrance requirement
70. Red tube filler
71. Carried off

Down

1. Give money to
2. Sept. follower
3. Famous Giant right fielder
4. Color
5. Maximally
6. Bete ____ (French nightmare)
7. Possible quiz response
8. Doctrines
9. Programming language
10. Contrive, as a plan
11. Pilotless aircraft
12. Sends out
13. Board grooves
15. Largest soldier unit
20. Ripped
22. Very, musically
23. Scottish land owner
24. Thunderbird drinkers
25. Pucker-upper
27. Attack from all sides
30. Sour, alternative
31. Tree layer
32. The other quiz response
34. Ms. Fields
36. Race option
37. Pointed arch
38. Printed by machine
42. Moon Goddess
45. Copper Chinese dollar
47. Chinese cinnamon tree
48. Idea
50. Tea variety
51. Colorful seed pod
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54. Boat bottom
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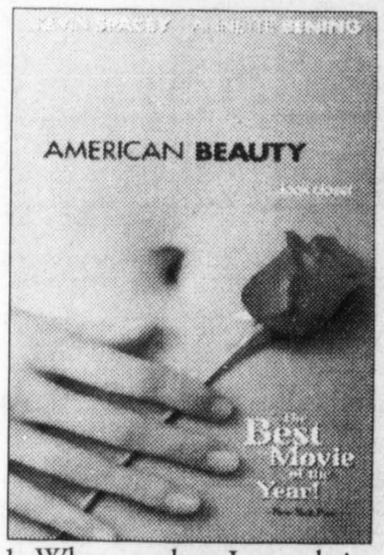
66. trained animal

How well do you know "American Beauty"?

Answer the questions below to find out



1. What car does Lester bring home during his mid-life crisis?
A. 1970 Pontiac Firebird
B. 1965 Ford Mustang
C. 1968 Chevy Camero
D. 1970 VW Bus

2. Lester doesn't want to see Jane cheer at the basketball game because he's missing what marathon on television?
A. Law & Order
B. James Bond
C. Back to the Future
D. Indiana Jones

3. Lester tells Angela she is very _____ after seeing her cheer at the basketball game.
A.Beautiful
B.Intelligent
C. Coordinated
D.Prescise

4. How old is Lester?
A. 51
B.42
C.46
D.55

5. What magazine was Angela in?
A. Elle
B. Cosmo
C. Seventeen
D. Vogue

6. What does Carolyn do to stop herself from crying?
A. Slaps herself
B. Drinks
C. Shoots her gun
D. Listens to motivational tapes

7. What is the name of the "Real Estate King?
A.Buddy Kane
B. Carl Frederick
C. Larry Kane
D. Buddy Holly

8. What is the name of the street the Burnhams live on?
A.College Avenue
B.Robin Hood Trail
C. Church Street
D. Elmira Street

9. Who inspires Lester to quit his job?
A.Angela
B. Frank
C.Ricky
D.Jane

10. What did Ricky film that he took Jane to watch?
A. A dead bird
B. A bag
C. A homeless man
D. A fire

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Big Fred on sports with Toby's Two Cents: With the NFL season officially over, we look ahead to 2007 with a mock draft

By TOBY MOTYKA
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Now that the Pro-Bowl has passed us by, the NFL season is officially over. But to football fans like Big Fred and myself, there is no offseason. Add that to the fact that hockey is, well, hockey, baseball is on drugs (thanks Femi), and we have to wait until March for the madness to begin, we thought it appropriate to give you our initial predictions on April's NFL Draft. Here are our first round projections:

1 – Oakland Raiders: Jamarcus Russell, QB LSU – Coming into the previous college football season, Brady Quinn was thought to be the golden boy in the upcoming draft. But given Al Davis' love for monster downfield, Russell seems to make more sense here. Add that to the fact that Russell outplayed Quinn at the Sugar Bowl and Quinn's consistent struggles in big games and you have Russel going first overall.

2 – Detroit Lions: Joe Thomas, OT Wisconsin – The Lions had a solid passing attack, but the worst rushing offense while also allowing 63 sacks. Thomas is the most physical lineman to come out of the draft since Robert Gallery three years ago. Hopefully for the Lions, Thomas doesn't turn out to be a bust.

3 – Cleveland Browns: Adrian Peterson, RB Oklahoma – While many Browns fans will be calling for Brady Quinn, expect the Cleveland based team to go with the star running back with the third selection. The Browns aren't ready to give up on Frye, and they can pick up a Drew Stanton or Troy Smith with this pick in the second round.

4 - Tampa Bay Buccaneers: Calvin Johnson, WR Georgia Tech – Johnson is arguably the best player in this draft, and the Bucs would be thrilled to see him drop to number four. Despite playing with a mediocre (at best) quarterback in college, Johnson was still able to win the Biletnikoff award and should make an immediate impact in the NFL.

5 – Arizona Cardinals: Alan Branch, DT Michigan – The Cardinals will be predicted to be this season's breakout team for the third straight year. With a solid coaching staff, they get the draft's best defensive tackle, but only because there are no offensive lineman left worth this pick. Don't be surprised to see them try to trade up for Joe Thomas.

6 – Washington Redskins: Jamaal Anderson, DE Arkansas – Washington brought in Andre Carter last year to shore up the defensive line, but as was the entire team, he was a miserable dissapointment. Anderson is nothing less than a monster off the edge, and will terrorize quarterbacks in the NFC East for years to come.

7 – Minnesota Vikings: Ted Ginn Jr., WR Ohio State – While the Vikings had the league's best run defense last season, their offense was nothing short of horrific. With Troy Williamson dropping more balls than he catches, the Vikes turn to the explosive playmaker, who might take a while to become a number one receiver, but should have a huge impact in the return game immediately.

8 – Houston Texans: Levi Brown, OT Penn State – As usual, the Texans couldn't keep their quarterback's jersey clean, but did show signs of improvement. Adding Brown, who can be a stud when he wants to be, would be a good building block for a Texans team that has talent on both sides of the ball.

9 – Miami Dolphins: Brady Quinn, QB Notre Dame – At the beginning of the year, Quinn falling this far would have been unthinkable. But the Dolphins aren't complaining, and scoop up the Heisman candidate because of their distaste for Daunte Culpepper and lack of faith in Joey Harrington.

10 – Atlanta Falcons: Leon Hall, CB Michigan – DeAngelo Hall was spectacular last season, but the guys opposite of him were not. Hall squared should be able to turn into one of the best young one-two combos in the league, and the Falcons don't hesitate to scoop up the best corner in this year's draft.

11 – San Francisco 49ers: Dwayne Jarrett, WR USC – The 49ers are literrally one playmaker on offense away from being a serious contender in the NFC West. Mike Nolan has his players responding and Jarrett will provide Alex Smith with a big sure handed target opposite side of Antonio Bryant.

12 - Buffalo Bills: Amobi Okoye DT Louisville– Okoye was only a 20 year old senior, but after the Bills passed on Bunkley and Ngata last year, they will not make the same mistake again. Okoye is still very raw, but within a year or two will be one of best young defensive tackles in all of football.

13- St. Louis Rams: Laron Landry S LSU – Once again St. Louis was able to score enough points, but gave up almost as many. A hard-hitting ball hawking safety like Landry would be a nice addition, to a defense that can't be much worse than last season.

14- Carolina Panthers: Reggie Nelson S Florida - Perhaps the most disappointing team last year, Carolina is looking to rebuild and adding Nelson would be a start. Shaun Williams is definitely not a long-term solution, and after the impact that safeties in the first round had last year(Whitner, Huff), Nelson would be a good pick.

15- Pittsburgh Steelers: Gaines Adams DE Clemson- With Mike Tomlin coming to town, it will be interesting to see if he brings his defensive scheme with him. Regardless of what he uses, his defense will still be dominant, adding a freak like Adams will only make it better.

16- Green Bay Packers: Marshawn Lynch RB California- Ahman Green is still servicable, but he is not getting any younger. Lynch will provide fireworks to an already explosive offense and with Brett Favre announcing he is returning for another season, watch out for the cheeseheads.

17- Jacksonville Jaguars: Dwayne Bowe LSU WR- We can't imagine that Leftwich's time is done in Jaguar land and Reggie Williams is not living up to the hype. Bowe may be the least talked about receiver in this entire draft and regardless of who is throwing him the ball, he will have a big time impact.

18- Cincinatti Bengals: Adam Carriker DE Nebraska- The bengals need to fix a lot of things both on and off the field. A start would be to draft this monmouth of a man in Carriker. The worst secondary in the league could use a pass-rusher to take some pressure off of them.

19 - Tennessee Titans: Sidney Rice WR South Carolina- One the best teams, the second-half of this past seasons, the Titans should continue to progress next year. Rice will give Vince Young another weapon in his arsenal.

20 - New York Giants: Darrelle Revis CB Pittsburgh- New York has needed a shut-down corner since Will Peterson began having back problems four years ago. Revis is an underrated and probably overlooked cover man, who also can return punts. With their secondary aging rapidly, and Corey Webster looking slower by the day, Revis gives the Giants a much needed boost in the secondary.

21 – Denver Broncos: Aaron Ross, CB Texas – After the sudden and tragic death of cornerback Darrent Williams, the Broncos find his replacement in the first round. Ross made the most of his starting opportunity in Texas, and should benefit greatly playing across from Champ Bailey.

22 – Dallas Cowboys: DeMarcus Tyler, DT N.C. State – With Wade Phillips the new man in town, expect the Cowboys to take Tyler to man the nose tackle in his terrorizing 3-4 defense. Tyler could take up blockers and get a good push up the middle for the Cowboy defense, which should free up the linebackers (like DeMarcus Ware) to make more plays.

23 – Kansas City Chiefs: Lawrence Timmons, OLB Florida State – Herman Edwards is a defensive minded coach, and Timmons will add a fast, physical presence on the outside to go with Derrick Johnson. The Seminole linebacker is the best in the draft, and would be a gift to the Chiefs if he were to fall this far.

24 – New England Patriots: Paul Posluszny, OLB Penn State – The Patriots are getting a lot older on defense and as evidenced by last year's signing of Junior Seau, the Patriots could use another outside linebacker. Posluszny fits the bill, and should fit in well in Bill Belichek's defense.

25 – New York Jets: Robert Meachem , WR Tennessee – The Jets shocked everyone last season by making the playoffs after finishing with one of the league's worst recrods and cap situations the year before. After concentrating on the offensive line in 2006, Chad Pennington gets a solid, but unspectacular target to play along with Coles and Cotchery.

26 – Philadelphia Eagles: Patrick Willis, ILB Ole Miss – The Eagles finished the season on a tear to make the playoffs, but could use a versatile linebacker on defense. With Dhani Jones in decline and Jeremiah Trotter aging, Willis is the logical choice. He is athletic enough to play inside or outside, but because of that versatility, could be long gone by this point.

27 – New Orleans Saints: Marcus McCauley, CB Fresno State – While Mike McKenzie played well at the number one corner spot, Fred Thomas was awful for New Orleans throughout the season. If the Saints don't land one of the three coveted free agent corners, expect them to grab McCauley with this pick.

28 – New England Patriots: Daymeion Hughes, CB California – The Patriots always seem to have two picks in the first round, and they use their second one to plug a hole in the secondary. We expect them to franchise Asante Samuel, but whether they do or not they need to add some depth in the defensive backfield.

29 – Baltimore Ravens: Ben Grubbs, OG Auburn – With nary a hole on defense and a solid offense, the Ravens seem to have the least problems of any team coming into next season. Grubbs is the best guard in the draft, and should provide tremendous value for the talent-heavy Ravens.

30 – San Diego Chargers: Michael Griffin, S Texas – The Chargers are another team with not a lot of problem areas, but they could use some help at safety. Griffin could go early in the first round, or fall to the second round. We think he'll go here, and be a perfect fit for whoever runs the show in San Diego next season.

31 – Chicago Bears: Aaron Sears, OT Tennessee – If Rex Grossman is going to be the quarterback for the Bears next season, they need to get him another protector up front. Grossman is good when he has time to throw, but the worst quarterback since Dave Brown when he faces pressure. Sears isn't a stud, but he's solid enough to play.

32 – Indianapolis Colts: Jon Beason, OLB Miami – The Colts defense was awful in the regular season last year, but was much better in the playoffs. However, they figure to lose Cato June to free agency and should be looking for his replacement. Beason is a solid player and a good fit for Dungy's cover 2 scheme.

On the Sidelines with Jessica Uhrich: Team's leading scorer, starting forward, and again a contender for conference player of the year

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Copy Editor

Jessica Uhrich leads the Lady Mountaineers in points and rebounds with 18.3 and 9.9 respectively. Those numbers also rank her second in the PSAC in both categories. By season's end, it should come of no surprise that Uhrich will be among the final names mentioned for conference player of the year. Uhrich along with the women's basketball team are set to work their way into the PSAC playoffs for the second consecutive season. I was able to interview Uhrich about basketball, the team, and her life.

Danelle Miller: What year are you and what are you majoring in?
Jessica Uhrich: I am a senior and liberal arts major with a minor in business management.

DM: Why did you choose the major you are in?
JU: I am actually interested in photography, but Mansfield did not offer that as a major, so I took some business classes and enjoyed them.

DM: What is your hometown?
JU: I am from Palmyra, PA.

DM: What made you decide to attend Mansfield University?
JU: The coaches here showed the most interest in me and I felt that I could make an impact and really help the team out.

DM: How do you feel competition on a collegiate level differs from competition on a high school level?
JU: The competition on the collage level is bigger, stronger, and faster.

DM: When did you begin playing basketball?
JU: When I was in first grade.

DM: What motivates you during the season?
JU: I set individual goals as well as team goals that motivate me to work hard and stay focused throughout the season.

DM: How do you prepare yourself for a game?
JU: I get a good night sleep, eat well, and get some extra shooting in.

DM: How do you think the team will finish?
JU: I think we will not only make the playoffs, but we will go all the way and make it to the PSAC East Championship game.

DM: What are some awards you have won for basketball?
JU: I have won PSAC player of the week several times throughout the years. Sophomore year I won PSAC East Second Team Selection. Junior year I won PSAC East First Team Selection. Senior year I won pre-season PSAC East First Team Selection.

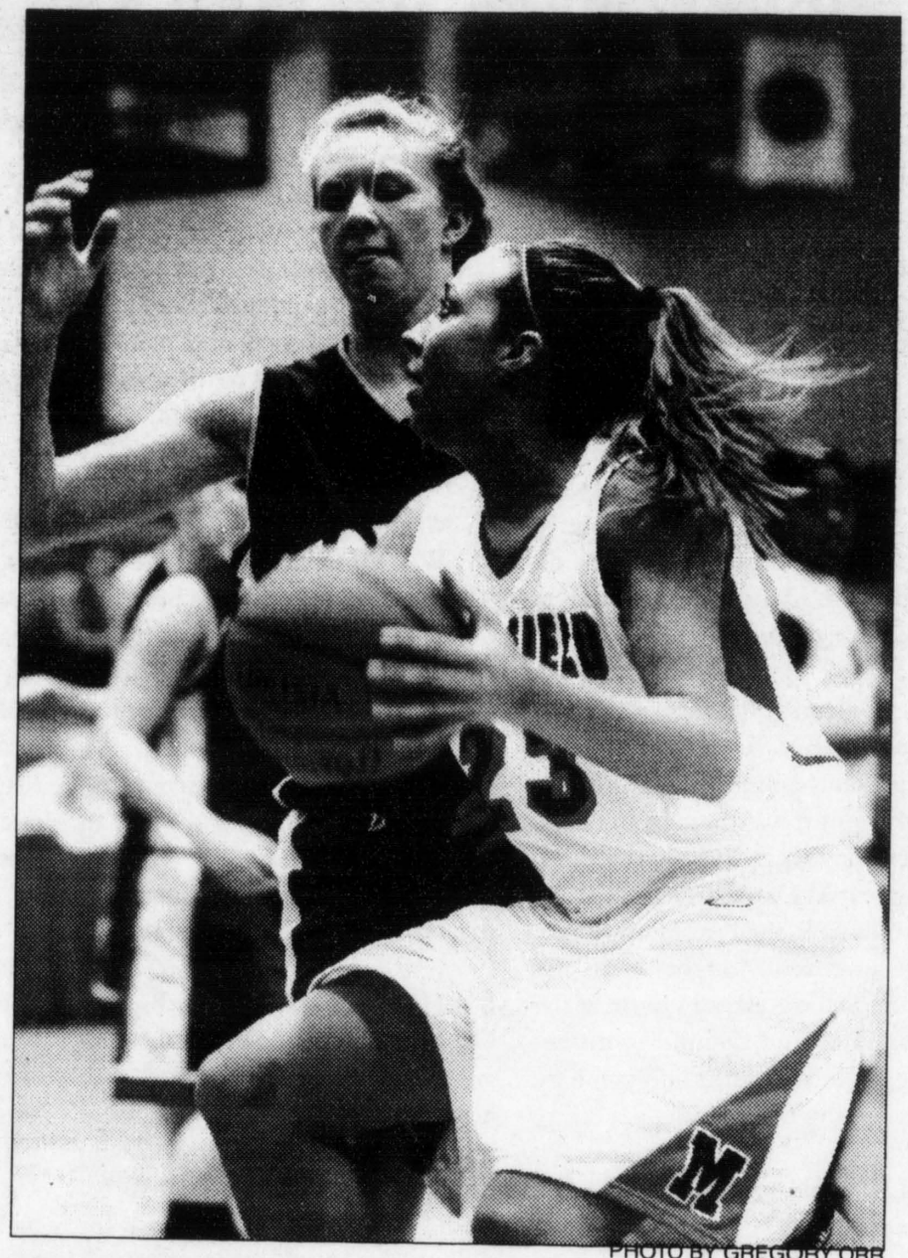
DM: What have you learned from basketball that you will take with you into the future?
JU: Basketball has taught me a lot of values that I will carry with me throughout my life. The three most important things are hard work, dedication, and discipline.

DM: Do you have a coach that has helped you to become a better player?
JU: Yes, my junior high coach really motivated me and pushed me to be the best player I could be.

DM: Do you have any collegiate or professional basketball teams you admire?
JU: I'm a big UNC fan.

DM: Any players in particular?
JU: Although he's retired I will always look up to Michael Jordan as motivation to become a better player and individual.

DM: What is your favorite sport besides basketball?
JU: I like football and baseball.



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After losing the program's all-time leading scorer Allison Tagliaferri, the Mansfield Mountaineers have relied heavily on Jessica Uhrich for points and rebounds. She has done nothing less than deliver, leading the team in both categories while ranking among the best in the conference too.

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Lady Mountaineers get back in the win column with victory over Cheyney

By PATRICK LAHR
Flashlight Sports Writer

Last week was a near disaster for the Mansfield Women's Basketball team. A close loss to East Stroudsburg was followed by a complete offensive collapse on the road against Millersville. The Mountaineers needed a solid game to turn around their season. They hoped that game would come at Kutztown.

The Mountaineer offense started the game, missing their first 15 shots. Mansfield's shooting didn't get much better throughout the first half, scoring their first points on a Mallory Hafer three point basket. The Mountaineers shot a dismal 23% from the field in the first half, but were finally able to mount a little offense. Down 19-8 with 4:12 to go in the first half Clarissa Correll put up seven points, as the Mountaineers closed the gap to 21-17 at halftime. It would was the closest they would be for the rest of the game.

The second half would not be much better. The Mountaineers shot 17 percent in second half. Kutztown shot 67 percent from the field in the second half. Mansfield would go on to fall 59-35.

There was only one bright spot for the Mountaineers in the game, Jessica Uhrich. She managed to record 14 points and pull down nine rebounds, barely missing a double-double.

The loss put Mansfield at 11-11 on the season. They stood at 4-4 in the PSAC East, tied for fourth and a game ahead of Kutztown. The Mountaineers played five of their last six games on the road. They came home to Decker Gymnasium to play Cheyney University on Saturday, hoping to reclaim their winning ways.

Mansfield came out against Cheyney shooting infinitely better then in their two previous games. Playing their best team basketball in a long time the Mountaineers raced out to a 38-28 halftime lead, scoring more points in the first half then in the two previous complete games. The outstanding first half performance was accomplished on the strength of 48.4 percent shooting from the field. Uhrich scored 13 of her game leading 28 points in the first half, with Hafer and Emily Akins adding seven points a piece.

The Mountaineers continued their impressive offensive performance. They were able to build a 17 point lead, 56-39, with 11:19 left in the game. Cheyney was able to close the gap to six points, 72-66, with 19 seconds remaining on the clock., but Mansfield would hold on to win at that same score.

Uhrich's game high 28 points and 10 rebounds were good enough for her 14th double-double of the season. Hafer had 12 points and Akins added nine points. Correll finished the game with seven points and four steals. The Mountaineers shot 50 percent from the field, almost 30% better then in their last two games. Mansfield now sits at 12-11 on the season. More importantly though they are not in fourth place in the PSAC East with a 5-4 conference record, one game ahead of fifth place Kutztown (4-5). The top four teams in the PSAC East advance to the playoffs.

The Mountaineers are home again this Saturday, February 17th for Senior Day. The lone Mansfield senior, Jessica Uhrich, will be honored with in a pre-game ceremony. Tip-Off is scheduled for 1p.m.

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR

Mallory Hafer along with the rest of the Mountaineers, struggled shooting the basketball this past week.Hafer and company would get back on track with a victory at home this past Saturday against Cheyney.

Another roller coaster week has Mansfield on the outside looking in: Kevin Hill goes 9-11 behind the three-point line in the split decisions

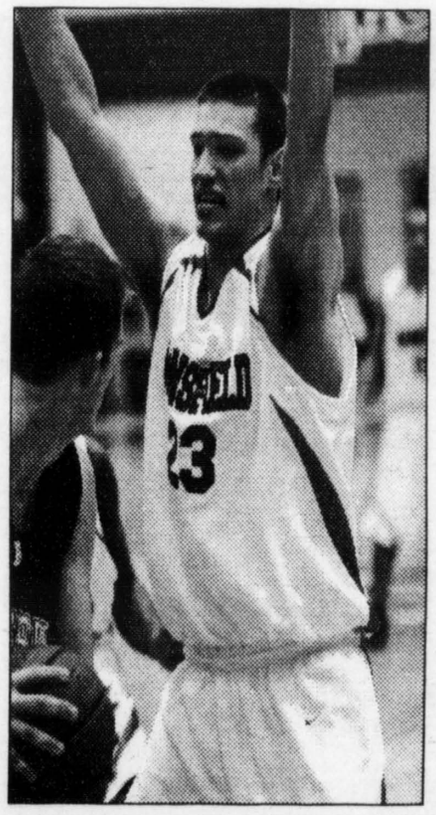
By PAUL OVERWISE
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield Mountaineers for the second straight week split their conference games. The split leaves Mansfield with an 8-15 overall mark and a 4-5 mark in PSAC East play. That leaves them in a fifth place tie with Kutztown, who Mansfield holds the tie-breaker. With two of the three PSAC East games remaining at Decker, and with those opponents being West Chester and East Stroudsburg, the Mountaineers still control their playoff destiny.

With that said one loss could all but end their hopes at a playoff berth. In the Mountaineers first game of the week, they traveled to Kutztown to take on the Golden Bears. The first half was a back and forth affair with eight ties. Kutztown would go into the half with a three point advantage, 38-35. The Mountaineers started off the second half with a 6-0 run to take the lead. Kutztown would continue to battle back.

The game had five ties in the final six minutes. Brandon Lawely connected on a lay-up with just over a minute to give the Mountaineers a 71-69 edge, but the lead was short lived as Sean McKeon answered for Kutztown to tie the game at 71 with 31 seconds left.

After a timeout Mansfield ran the clock down to 10 seconds. Chris Greene would hit Kevin Hill for a back door lay-up with 6.5 seconds remaining. Nate Edwards of Kutztown was able to get a shot off, but he was unable to connect and Mansfield would pick up the 73-71 victory.



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Kevin Hill had a big week for the Mountaineers. He had a key basket in the victory over Kutztown and had 17 points.

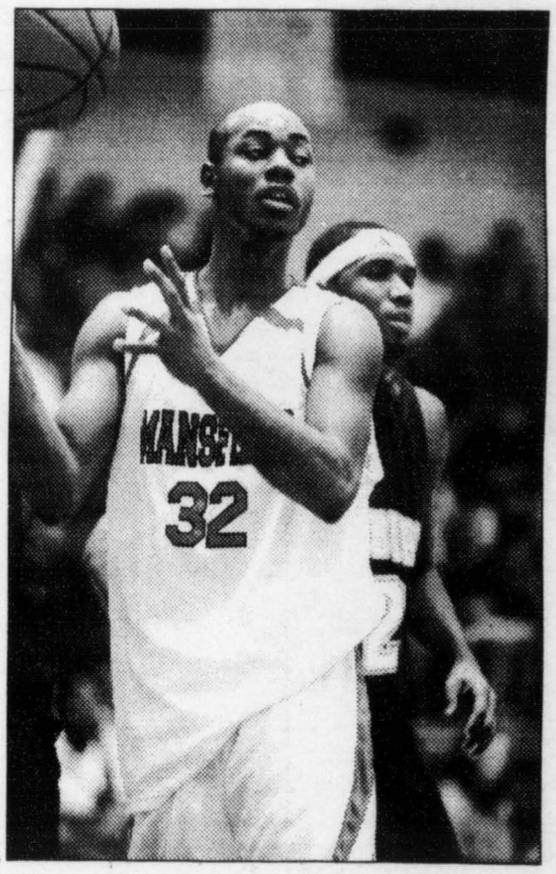
Lawely and Kevin Hill lead four Mountaineers in double figures with 17 each. Lawely also added 12 boards for his second double double of the season. McKeon lead Kutztown and the game with 21 points. Mansfield was able to shut down Dave Ben, Kutztown's leading scorer. Ben scored three points on 1-9 shooting.

Mansfield's next opponent was the Cheyney Wolves. The Wolves came into Decker Gymnasium on Saturday, looking to avenge the loss the Mountaineers gave them on their home court. Cheyney controlled the first half, shooting a scorching 62 percent, leading the Mountaineers 43-34 at the half.

Cheyney led by as many as 11 before the Mountaineers went on an 11-3 run to cut the lead. Terrance Williams hit a jumper with under 14 minutes to play to give the Mountaineers their first lead of the game. Cheyney would regain the lead and extend it to 67-61. Mansfield would go up 70-67 with three minutes to go. Cheyney hit a pair of free throws to tie the game at 70. Chris Greene hit one foul shot to give the Mountaineers a 71-70 lead with 1:38 remaining.

That would the last points Mansfield would score, as Cheyney would go on a 9-0 to end the game. The Wolves defeated the Mountaineers 79-71. "In the end it came down to making plays in the last minutes of the game," head coach Rich Miller said. "They made them and we didn't. We played hard and worked ourselves back into the game, but it's tough to lose a game when you're leading with less than two minutes to play."

Mansfield shot 50 percent from beyond the arc but that was not enough to overcome the Wolves.The Wolves out shot the Mountaineers 54 percent -43 percent from the field. Kevin Hill lead the Mountaineers with 20 points. Ed Braswell scored 25 for the Cheyney Wolves.



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Lawley lead Mansfield in scoring with 17 points against Kutztown. He followed that up with 14 points and seven rebounds in the loss this past Saturday against Cheyney.

Mansfield has a non-conference game at Pitt-Johnstown on Monday, Feb. 19 after having rescheduled due to the weather. Mansfield hosts West Chester in a PSAC East battle this Saturday.

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MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY ❖ VOLUME 89, ISSUE 4 ❖ THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2007

Mansfield Track and Field continues outstanding indoor season: Women finish 2nd overall, with Senior Nicole Dann winning three different events and Rachel Hall two at the CTC Championships

By KIRK MILLER
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University women's indoor track and field team took second place and the men's team took eighth at the Collegiate Track Conference Championship, Friday and Saturday Feb. 10-11, in New Haven, CT.

Senior Nicole Dann won three events and placed third in another to help the Mountaineers score 165 points en route to a second place finish at the CTC Championship, Mansfield's first team scored event of the season. Dann started the day with a win in the mile, 5:17.67, before registering a win in the 1000, 3:03.70, less than an hour later. She then won the 800 with a time of 2:21.58 before capping off her day as part of the third place 4x400 relay team.

"I was definitely surprised with myself, yet proud," Dann said after the meet. "It was truly gratifying since this is my last indoor season and the CTC meet is where everyone puts their best effort forward."

Dann was responsible for 36 of Mansfield's points on the women's side.

Senior Rachel Hall also ran well placing first in the 5000 with a time of 18:57.66, as well as the 3000, 10:42.19, and third in the mile.

Junior Katrina Brumfield set a new school record in the high jump with a first place leap of 1.66 meters. The new mark is an improvement over her previous best of 1.65 and qualifies her for NCAA competition. Brumfield also finished fifth in the triple jump at 10.14 meters.

Also picking up first for the women's team was sophomore Marisa Fronczkiewicz in the 500 and the distance medley relay team of freshmen Jess Wagner, Katie Foster, Christyna Cain and sophomore Heather Wida with a time of 13:07.85. Foster also finished second in the pentathlon, qualifying her for the PSAC Championship, and fourth in the triple jump, 10.52 meters, while Cain took third in the 3000 with a personal best time of 11:01.00.

Rounding out the day for the Mountaineers women were junior Jamie Sweitzer, who placed third in the 1500 race walk, 7:32.51, and the 4x800 relay team of Wida, Foster, junior Sarah Pinkowski and sophomore Jessica Lown that placed third with a time of 10:38.70. Amanda Fedish also set a school record in the 55 meters, 7.55, on her way to a tenth place finish in the event.

"They raced intelligently and with a lot of heart," head Coach Mike Rohl said. "Collectively they want to go out and win every race."

In men's competition junior Dave Sanford broke the school record in the 1000 meters with a winning time of 2:30.09 and freshman teammate John-Mark Stolts finished third just over six seconds behind.

Junior Brian Morseman placed first in the mile, 4:25.23, while freshman Mike Gray took first in the shot put with a throw of 14.94 meters.

Junior Ricky Jones set a new school record in the 55 meters with a fifth place time of 6.66 and finished tenth, 23.26, in the 200.

The Mountaineers will return to action at the Kent State Last Chance, Saturday Feb. 17, in Kent, Ohio.

Because of the great individual and team performances, the Mountaineers are in prime shape getting ready for the upcoming PSAC Championships.

While Hall and Dann were the most dominating of the Mountaineer runners, it was Dann who picked up the highest individual honors. For her performance in last week's meet, Dann was named PSAC East runner of the week as of Tuesday, Feb. 13.

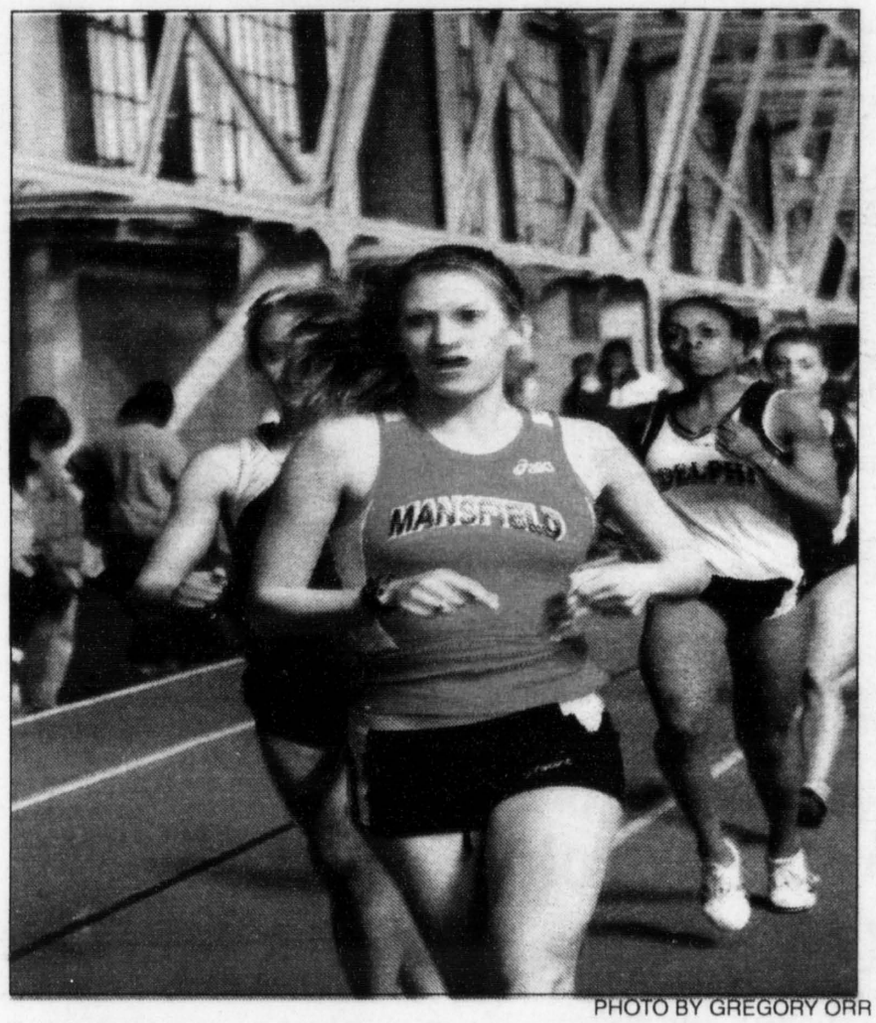

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR

Rachel Hall enjoyed one of the finest days of her Mountaineer career winning two events to help Mansfield to a second place finish at the CTC Championships. The Mountaineers finished with 165 points as a team, which placed them behind only Southern Connecticut State.

Coming up in Mountie Sports

Feb. 11	12	13	14 Men's Basketball 7 p.m. @ Pitt-Johnstown	15	16 Indoor Track @ Field @ Kent State Last Chance	17 Women's Basketball 1 p.m. vs. West Chester Men's Basketball 3 p.m. vs. West Chester
18	19	20	21 Women's Basketball 5:30 p.m. vs. East Stroudsburg Men's Basketball 7:30 p.m. vs. East Stroudsburg	22 Swimming @ Cumberland Valley PSAC Championship	23 Indoor Track @ Field @ East Stroudsburg PSAC Championship	24 Women's Basketball 1 p.m. @ Bloomsburg Men's Basketball 3 p.m. @ Bloomsburg

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Mansfield's First Snow Day of Winter

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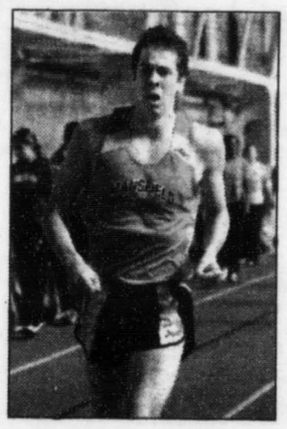

Track & Field remains successful

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Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" is brought to life on Straughn stage

By CARRIE GOODYEAR and LAURA HALL
Flashlight Writers

Approximately 50 Mansfield University students and community members will present Disney's Beauty and the Beast Thursday, Feb. 22 through Sunday, Feb. 25 in Straughn Hall.

Show dates and times:

Feb. 22-24 at 8 p.m.

Feb. 25 at 2 p.m.

Michael Hobbs is a sophomore music education major. Hobbs is playing the enchanted rug and a towns person. This is Hobbs' second production at Mansfield University. "The auditioning process wasn't difficult because I've had previous experience," Hobbs said.

Hobbs also explained the cast dynamics. "The cast works well with each other because we all know each other. I've met new people as well, and we've all become friends," Hobbs said.

Alicia Shumway is a sophomore communications major with an emphasis in broadcasting. She also has a minor in Studio Art. "The musical takes up a lot of time out of my schedule, but it's worth it in the end," Shumway said.

"The best thing about being in Beauty and the Beast is the experience and learning from the directors," Shumway said.

The role of the Beast is being portrayed by Bryan Hoover, a junior music education major. Hoover explained that the musical was definitely a learning experience. "I've learned how to deal with different types of people," Hoover said.

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Sarah Best plays Belle and Ruthanna Williams plays Mrs. Potts in the upcoming production.

"Beauty and the Beast has an amazing storyline," Hoover said. "It fits the old storybook lines 'once upon a time' and 'happily ever after'."

Outside of student involvement, the show includes community members, high school students and students from Miller Elementary School. Also involved in the show is Mansfield Mayor Tom Wierbowski. Wierbowski has a cameo in the show as the bookseller. "Dr. Monkelien asked me to participate in the show because of the Sesquicentennial," Wierbowski said.

"Beauty and the Beast is a good show to bring the town and campus together," Wierbowski said. "It serves as a facet of learning experience that you can't get in the classroom."

Show times for Beauty and the Beast are 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are $12 for adults, $10 for students and senior citizens and only $2 for Mansfield University students with Mansfield University ID. Tickets will be available at the door before each show.

Sigma Alpha Iota and Phi Mu Alpha present AIDS awareness benefit concert on March 5

By REBECCA HAZEN
Flashlight Writer

A benefit concert promoting AIDS awareness will be held on Monday, March 5 at Mansfield University, presented by Phi Mu Alpha and Sigma Alpha Iota.

The concert is to be a formal, yet casual concert. Performances can be by both music majors and non music majors and an audition is not needed. Different performances, such as vocal and instrumental, are welcomed. People can play or sing what they wish, whether it be with their band, or just by themselves. The performances do not have to be about AIDS, but their choice has to be appropriate for the program

Phi Mu Alpha is the male music fraternity and Sigma Alpha Iota is the female music fraternity at Mansfield University. They are not recognized at a national level to be brothers and sisters, but here at Mansfield's chapter, they like to participate in things together.

Heather Singley is a Sigma Alpha Iota sister, and in charge of the benefit concert. "People in both the fraternities have been affected in one way or another by AIDS, and we wanted to honor the loved ones, friends, or family members who have it," Singley said. The idea was originally to do a music cause, but the organizations decided to include the whole campus, and not just music majors.

Donations will be taken at the door for the benefit concert. Donations should be in cash and all donations that are collected will go to the AIDS awareness funds.

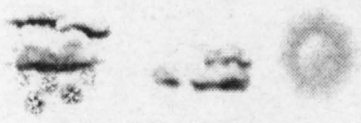
In between performing acts, there will be short, but effective dialog concerning AIDS, and why exactly we should care about it.

Singley believes that the night will be very informative. "It is hard to really understand something unless a person goes through it. This night will help everyone understand it a little bit better than before," Singley said.

The fraternities want to try their hardest to help others understand more about the cause and effects of AIDS. "As a society AIDS has become something not as serious, or in even some grotesque cases, a joke," Singley said.

Everyone is allowed and highly encouraged to come. The concert will take place at 8:30 p.m. on March 5, in Steadman Theatre. Anyone who is interested in performing can contact Heather Singley at singleyh@mounties.mansfield.edu.

Weekly Weather



TODAY

Snow showers

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FRIDAY

A.M. clouds/P.M. sun

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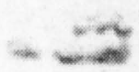

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SUNDAY

Light, wintry mix

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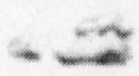

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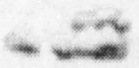

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WEDNESDAY

Rain/snow showers

High: 35 Low:21

Information taken from www.weather.com

Every two minutes someone in America is sexually assaulted. It is happening at the workplace, in schools, on college campuses, in places of worship, in our neighborhoods, and, yes, in our homes.

For more information on this epidemic that is sweeping through our nation please contact HAVEN at (570) 724-3549

BINGO!

Late Night on Thursday, March 1 from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Kelchner Fitness Center

Paid Internship in Harrisburg for Fall 2007

- Work with state agency or legislators and receive a stipend roughly equivalent to a semester's tuition, room and board
- Gain valuable experience and contacts. Must be a junior or senior with a GPA of 3.0 or better.

For more information contact Dr. Lee Wright at ext. 4787 or come to 309 Hemlock.

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

•Mansfield University Baseball Clinics

On the campus of Mansfield University

Hitting – March 4
For more information call
570-662-4457
or 570-662-7273 evenings, or visit:
www.gomounties.com.

•Frederick Douglass Scholarships

The Frederick Douglass Institute is dedicated to promoting diversity and academic excellence at Mansfield University. Interested students may pick up applications in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center, Alumni Hall Student Center, or at Dr. Lynn Pifer's office, G 04b Belknap Hall.
For more information, visit:
www.mansfield.edu/FDI/scholarship.htm

•SAI and Phi Mu Alpha
Concert Benefitting AIDS Awareness
March 5, 2007 8:30 p.m.
at Steadman Theatre
All are welcome, so come and perform or just enjoy the entertainment!

Library develops new, more convenient system for students

By REBEKAH BROWN
Special to the Flashlight

Electronic resources librarian Sheila Kasperek recently developed a new system at the library to assist students looking up their 18-digit identification number.

Mansfield University identification cards have two numbers, a seven-digit number located in the upper right hand corner, and an 18-digit number along the bottom of the card. Many students memorize their seven-digit number, as it is used across campus, but are unable to recall the 18 digit number. Kasperek, a librarian at Mansfield since 2000, responded to this need by creating a way to look up the number electronically from the library or from home.

On the library web page, looking under the "How do I…?" heading reveals two easy options. Because this is a new feature, "What is my 18 digit ID number?" can be found at the top of the page under FAQ. It is also found under the technology subheading. After clicking on either link, students will be prompted to enter their last names and seven-digit university ID numbers. In a matter of seconds, the corresponding 18-digit number will appear on the screen.

The 18-digit ID number can be found at the bottom of your Mansfield University student ID.

According to reference librarian Frances Garrison, this new tool will be both useful and convenient. "If you can remember the seven-digit number, when it's time to enter the 18-digit number, you could use this web page and copy and paste the number in rather than having to go find your ID card and type in all 18 digits," Garrison said. "Most people hate trying to get that many numbers in without making a mistake."

The number is required to use the e-reserve and to access several databases from off-campus. Garrison also revealed that this aid is predominantly aimed at commuter students, "many of whom are never sent an ID."

Mansfield students enjoy time off in snow on Valentine's Day

By SARAH RAUB
Special to the Flashlight

On Feb. 13 and 14, nearly two months after the official start of winter, Mansfield, and most of the state of Pennsylvania, was rocked by a snow storm that dropped almost two feet in some places.

All classes were cancelled Wednesday. The university closed as the snow continued to fall, ruining some people's Valentine's Day plans.

Mansfield University student Jamie Gentile's plans were affected by the snow. "My boyfriend drove two hours to come see me for Valentine's Day and we were supposed to go out to dinner," Gentile said. "But because of the snow, we were stuck here. He ended up having to stay an extra day because the roads weren't clear for him to drive home."

Students also found it difficult to leave for the weekend because their cars had been covered with the snow then plowed in when the parking lots were cleared. Some took drastic measures in an attempt to free their vehicles from the drifts, and some students gave up and decided to wait until the snow melted before they tried to get out.

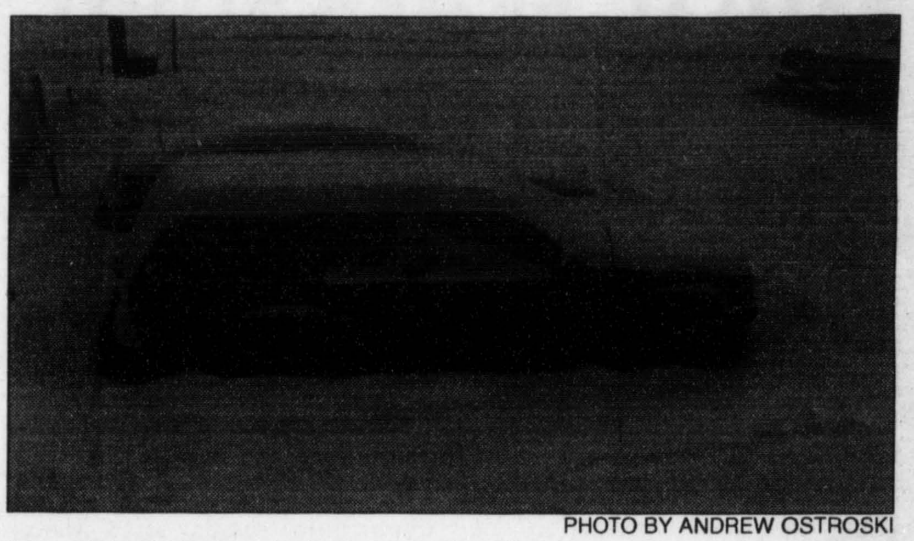


PHOTO BY ANDREW OSTROSKI

Mansfield University students enjoyed a rare snow day on Feb. 14. The university closed due to the wintry weather.

Mansfield student Nicole Nanni had an idea that allowed her to get out safely. "My neighbor's a little kid at heart and she had sleds, so I borrowed them and my roommate and I walked up [the hill] and dug my car out so I could go home on Saturday," Nanni said.

Most students, like Naomi Martz, saw the storm as a blessing. As soon as there was enough snow to cover the ground on Tuesday night, they were out there with their sleds, cafeteria trays, storage totes and other makeshift snow devices, looking for some fun. "The hills were amazing. The snow was really fine so after you went down once, it was like ice. We built a jump at the bottom of the hill behind Kelchner [Fitness Center] and sledded there for hours," Martz said.

The roads were cleared and students returned to classes Thursday, many with bumps, bruises and stories to tell about the first snow day of the year.

President Maravene Loeschke addresses faculty on subjects related to future of Mansfield University

By KARA NEWCOMER
Flashlight Editor-in-Chief

President Maravene Loeschke addressed Mansfield University faculty and staff at 4 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 19 in North Manser.

Approximately 50 faculty and staff attended at the event. Loeschke discussed issues that are currently facing the university and what she plans to do to help better Mansfield.

"The goal is to refresh this university to become the intellectual, social, cultural and economic engine of the area," Loeschke said.

The financial problems that Mansfield has been facing recently were the main topic of conversation. Loeschke said that she is fairly certain that they have successfully cut the $1.4 million that was necessary. In March, the Board of Governors will be holding budget hearings for all 14 of the state universities. Loeschke joked that she is the only president excited about the hearings. She stated that the university will be under a close microscope but has impeccable fiscal management so she is not worried.

"These budget hearings are a good thing for us," Loeschke said. "It enables us to get up there with our case and make it."

Loeschke talked about ideas she has for the university that will help to increase revenue which mainly requires that Mansfield increase enrollment and retention. Mansfield's current enrollment is 3,000 students and needs to be brought up to 3,500 students. Mansfield's current retention rate is 73 percent when it needs to be in the eighties. Two major factors that contribute to the retention rate of the university are the academic programs and the students' living conditions.

Loeschke is focusing on staying true to the new brand of the university, "Developing Tomorrow's Leaders," to help improve the academic programs. She is focused on moving toward a leadership brand by definitely introducing a leadership minor to the undergraduate program, possibly a leadership masters to the graduate program and an institute of leadership.

The university is also considering adding a Graphic Design major to its undergraduate program. There is a huge interest in graphic design and the university will have all of the capabilities once the new Allen Hall is built.

The search for a new residence life director will end within the next few days and Loeschke has big plans for the residence halls in the coming years. She hopes to tear down Hemlock Manor and put apartment style dorms for upperclassman in its place. In the apartments, each student would have their own room, a living room, kitchen, bathroom and even a washer and dryer. Mansfield is currently the only state university that does not have apartment style dorms. The university is also working with the nationally recognized fraternities and sororities on campus to possibly build a fraternity and sorority row where Hemlock is currently located.

"The goal is to refresh this university to become the intellectual, social, cultural and economic engine of the area."
-President Loeschke

Loeschke also discussed ways to cut the costs of the university to help save money. One of those ways is eliminate speakers at the graduation ceremony. A graduation speaker typically costs the university $10,000. According to Loeschke, this money could be better spent on marketing for the university. She said that, because the graduation speakers get paid so much, they usually feel that they have to speak for a long time and then the ceremony becomes more about the speaker and less about the students and it needs to be able the students.

Loeschke and the provost, Michael Renner, also discussed the possibility of continuing summer courses, not with free room and board but at very minimal costs to the students. Regulations state that the university has to charge students for room and board but Mansfield is currently in the process of finding the bare minimum cost to house and feed students and plans on charging that number for room & board during summer sessions.

According to Loeschke, the plans to move the Campus bookstore downtown are still in discussion. The bookstore would move one block away and be modeled after a Barnes & Noble bookstore. It would become a full-fledged bookstore with not just text books but every other genre, a coffee bar and university merchandise would still be for sale. The current bookstore would become an on campus convenience store. This plan needs to be a revenue generator for the university in order to move the bookstore, and according to Loeschke there is still research that needs to be done on the project.

Loeschke plans to have more campus conversations in the future regarding the many changes the university is going through and thanked the faculty for their support during a very tough year.

Mansfield hosts Horn Workshop

By SHONNA BARNETT
Special to the Flashlight

Mansfield University hosted the 2007 Northeast Horn Workshop Feb. 17 and 18.

The host of the event was Dr. Rebecca Dobson-Webster, associate professor in the music department. The weekend featured workshops, master classes, vendors and performances.

"There are regional workshops each year and an Internation one each year," Dobson-Webster said. "People and institutions request to host and are selected by the International Horn Society."

The featured guest was Thomas Bacon, horn player and solo recording artist.

Other guests included; Lydia Basler-Blais, Nick Caluori, Kelly Drifmeyer, Kay Hooper, Patrick Hughes, Adam Legnick, Ken Pope, Morris Secon and Kathleen Thompson.

Special guests hosted workshops for those involved with the weekend workshop. These workshops included; Improvision, Instrument Repair, Extended Techniques, Alexander Technique and Expression through Subdivision. There was also a workshop entitled: Don't Be Afraid to Get Off the Bus.

In addition to the workshops there were also master classes being taught by the special guests.

Vendors were also in Butler this weekend to provide a showcase of services of their business. Some of these vendors included; Robert M. Sides, Atkinson Horns, Hickey's Music, Pope Instrument Repair, Cimarron Music Press, Crystal Records, Hornist's Nest and Ion Balu Mutes.

One of the major highlights of the weekend was the performances. There was a competition that was held for both high school and college students to have the opportunity to play with Mansfield University's own orchestra and wind ensemble with the accompanying guests.

For the high school level, competitors had to play Mozart's Concerto in D Major in order to win a performance with the orchestra. The college level competitors played R. Strauss' Concert No. 1 in order to win a performance with the wind ensemble. The high school winner was Nicholas Harman, Potsdam, NY and the college level winner was Meredith Moore, Connecticut, who attends Ithaca College.

According to Dobson-Webster, the importance of these workshops is clear. "Horn workshops give professionals as well as students a chance to collaborate, connect, learn and perform. There are master classes, competitions, social opportunities, and many more activities which are designed to energize and inspire professionals, students and horn enthusiasts," Dobson-Webster said.

We were both pretty drunk and a little high. I tried to tell him to stop. And I tried to push him away. And I tried not to cry...The room was spinning, and then I was on the floor with him above me. My body felt numb, and I couldn't move under his weight. I felt nauseous, and I could hardly breathe with him on top of me. I felt so scared and confused. Then he raped me.

If you do not consent to sex and someone still has intercourse with you, it's rape and it IS A CRIME. No means no, NO MATTER WHAT!

For more information contact HAVEN for free and confidential services (570)-724-3549 or 1-800-550-0447.

Mansfield to prepare hazard mitigation plan

Across the United States, natural and human-caused disasters have led to increasing levels of deaths, injuries, property damage, and interruption of business and government services.

The time, money and efforts to recover from these disasters exhaust resources, diverting attention from important public programs and private agendas.

With several recent statewide or county-specific gubernatorial and presidential disaster declarations, Mansfield University officials recognized the impact of disasters on their community and concluded that proactive efforts needed to be taken to reduce the impact of natural and human-caused hazards.

The Mansfield University Disaster-Resistant University Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee (DRU/HMPC) is preparing a Hazard Mitigation Plan. This project will not only guide the university towards greater disaster resistance, but is part of on-going efforts to create a more sustainable university community.

In order to qualify for federal aid for technical assistance and post-disaster funding, the University must comply with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA) and its implementing regulations (44 CFR §§201.6, published Feb. 26, 2002). The University's Hazard Mitigation Plan will be prepared to meet Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requirements in order for the university to be eligible for funding and technical assistance from state and federal hazard mitigation programs.

"Hazard mitigation" is a phrase that describes actions taken to prevent or reduce the long-term risks to life and property from hazards. Pre-disaster mitigation actions are taken in advance of a hazard event and are essential to breaking the typical disaster cycle of damage, reconstruction, and repeated damage. With careful selection, mitigation actions can be long-term, cost-effective means of reducing the risk of loss.

The hazard mitigation planning process consists of: Public involvement through a series of meetings; Identification of hazards that could affect the university; Assessment of the university's vulnerability to these hazards in terms of the number of structures and people affected; Identification of mitigation actions that can reduce the risk from these hazards; and Development of an implementation strategy identifying roles and responsibilities.

Anyone who would like to participate in the plan development or wants more information should contact Jim M. Welch, Mansfield University Environmental Health & Safety coordinator, at (570)662-4906 or jwelch@mansfield.edu

Faculty music duo to perform Feb. 25 in Steadman Theatre

The Mansfield University Music Department will present violinist Kenneth Sarch and pianist Nancy Boston in a faculty recital on at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 25 in Steadman Theatre.

The recital will mark the duo's return to performing together after a two year break due to Boston being on sabbatical. Prior to that they had performed together for 10 straight years.

The program will feature two sonatas, one by Brahms in G Major and the other by French composer Germaine Tailleferre. Both works feature the violinist and pianist equally in musically and technically challenging ways that will engage the audience.

Also on the program will be the Baal Shem Suite by Ernest Bloch, three pieces depicting European Chassidic life in celebration and prayer, and a group of short American works by Lukas Foss, Alan Hovhaness and Aaron Copland.

Boston is a professor of Music and chair of the keyboard faculty at MU. She has appeared as soloist throughout the U.S. After a series of concerts in the spring of 2006, she recorded a CD, American Women: Modern Voices in Piano Music, which is available through CDBaby and Amazon.com.

Boston has specialized in the performance of music by female composers for the past 15 years, presenting many solo and chamber concerts. Her interest in the field of women and music has also led to the lecture "Good Daughters of Music," tracing the emergence of female composers in the U.S., which she has presented at numerous colleges and universities.

She has also presented a lecture/recital twice at the International Festival of Women Composers. She is an active member of the International Alliance of Women in Music Association.

Sarch is professor of violin and viola and conductor of the MU Symphony Orchestra. He is also concertmaster of the Williamsport Symphony Orchestra. In December, he was soloist in the Williamsport Symphony Holiday Concert, leading the string section from the podium without conductor in the Autumn and Winter Concertos from Vivaldi's The Four Seasons.

Sarch has conducted orchestras internationally in Panama, Jordan, Brazil, and Bolivia. A two-time Fulbright Scholar, he spent six-months in Bolivia in 2003, where he formed the new Orquesta Sinfonica Juvenil de Santa Cruz and served as its first conductor. His violin recitals and orchestra presentations were nationally televised.

Last year Sarch was invited by the U.S. Embassy in Panama to perform recitals, present Master Classes and work with string students

The recital is free and open to the public.

PHOTO FROM MANSFIELD.EDU

Dr. Sarch will be performing with Dr. Boston on stage at Steadman Theatre on Sunday, Feb. 25.

Mansfield University Events Calendar

Thursday, Feb. 22

Event: 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Men Who Cook fundraiser at the Corey Creek Country Club. Food, silent auction, music and fun. Tickets $5/students, $20/advance, $25/door.

Music: Disney's "Beauty and The Beast" 8 p.m. at Straughn Theatre.

Friday, Feb. 23

Music: Disney's "Beauty and The Beast" 8 p.m. at Straughn Theatre.

Saturday, Feb. 24

Music: Jennifer Anderson, senior saxophone recital, 3 p.m. at Steadman Theatre.

Music: Disney's "Beauty and The Beast" 8 p.m. at Straughn Theatre.

Sunday, Feb. 25

Music Dr. Sarch and Dr. Boston, faculty piano and violin recital, 7 p.m. at Steadman Theatre

Music: Disney's "Beauty and The Beast" 2 p.m. at Straughn Theatre.

Monday, Feb. 26

Event: Black History Month Program: Dr. C. Richard Gillespie, retired professor of Theatre at Towson University, will present "Papa Toussaint", his historical novel of the last five years of the life of Toussaint Louverture, the liberator of Haiti. 4 p.m., Room 307 AHSC

Tuesday, Feb. 27

Event: Faculty Lecture Series Event; Dr. Judith Sornberger, English & Bobbi Jo VanDruff; "Madonnas of the Disappeared." 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., 317 Alumni Hall Student Center

Wednesday, Feb. 28

Event: Ewabo Caribbean Trio Steel Drum Band 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. at Jazzman's Food Court area of AHSC.

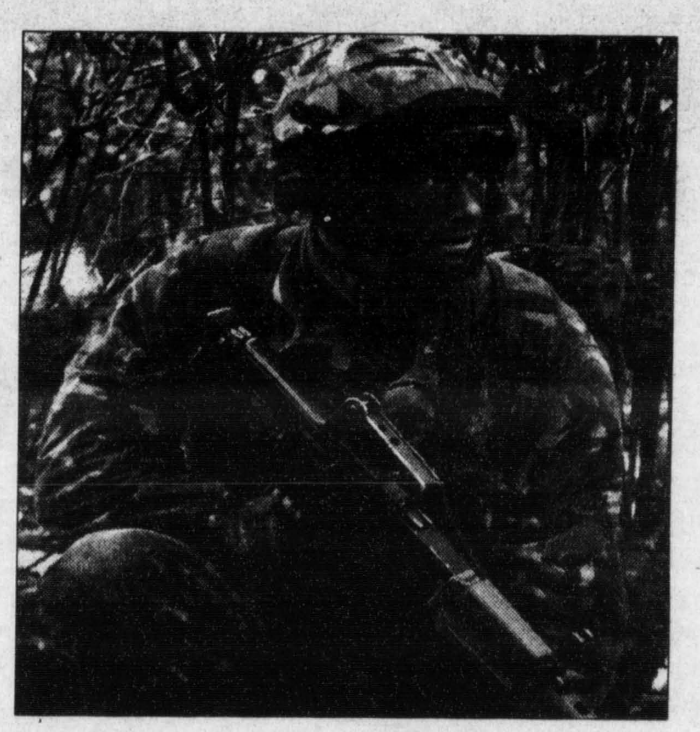
What in the World News in a Flash

By ANDREW OSTROSKI

Flashlight News Co-Editor

WORLD NEWS

LONDON, England- Harry, Prince of Wales is preparing to begin his tour of duty in Iraq. The third man in line to sit on the throne will be in command of eleven men and four British Scimitar tanks in his unit known as the Blues and Royals regiment. Harry, who is addressed within the British military as Troop Leader Wales, recently threatened to leave military service if he was not given active duty in Iraq. Fears are already being voiced in the British government that Prince Harry will be a "bullet magnet." A London metropolitan police unit assigned specifically to the prince may also make the journey to Iraq to help assure his safety. British Royals have served in the military before; Prince Harry's father, Prince Charles, was a pilot in the Royal Air Force and Royal Navy. His grandfather and uncle also served in branches of the military. Prince Harry's unit is expected to leave for Iraq in the coming weeks.



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Prince Harry will be in command of eleven soldiers and three tanks on the battlefield.

MOGADISHU, Somalia- The Somali government has created an anti-terrorist unit to combat the spread of violence throughout the nation, especially in the capital city of Mogadishu. Violence has gripped much of the city and country due to Islamic extremists who held control of the capital until late 2006. The same Islamic extremists have been the ones conducting attacks against Somalis. An anonymous source stated that the unit has over 700 members. The anti-terrorist unit was trained by military forces in neighboring Ethiopia, a nation that also played a huge role in driving the radical Islamic government out of Mogadishu. Somalia has been in a state of constant war and unrest since 1991, when the nations then current dictator was overthrown by warlords, who then proceeded to turn on each other. Several U.N. attempts at bringing peace to the nation have since been met with defeats.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico- As a reward for their efforts in the fight against drug and gang violence, Mexican army soldiers were given a pay increase of 50 percent. Gang violence for control of Mexico-to-United States drug routes resulted in the deaths of over 2,000 people last year. President Felipe Calderon, who took office in December, has already committed thousands of troops to fight against drug violence. Checkpoints have been set up in northern Mexican states, and Mexican navy ships are patrolling the waters off the coast to search for drug boats. The use of the military is an attempt to bypass Mexican police officers, who are often paid by Mexican drug cartels to look the other way in enforcing narcotics laws. Searches are also slated to begin on vehicles in more areas of northern Mexico that border Texas.

TRENTON, New Jersey- The Garden State became the third state in the country to offer gay civil unions, joining California and Massachusetts as states that allow same-sex unions. Civil unions offer the benefits that come from being formally married, but do not carry the title. Rights now garnered by same-sex partners are the rights to legally adopt, visiting a partner in the hospital, making medical decisions for a partner, child custody rights and the right to not testify against their partner in court. However, the rights will not be recognized in most other states, creating potential problems for couples not in New Jersey. The law allowing civil unions was created in Trenton in December, two months after the state supreme court decided that gay couples in a civil union had the same rights as married straight couples.

LOCAL NEWS

BARTON, New York- A foot found by a couple canoeing down the Susquehanna River in 2005 has been positively identified as that of a man who disappeared 22 years ago. Eli Vanderpool Jr. was last seen leaving a party in Tioga County, New York on Nov. 26, 1985. His truck was found one week later in the Susquehanna River across from his family's home. In 2005, when the foot was discovered on the bank of the river, it was sent to a laboratory in Texas for DNA testing. The foot was positively identified as Vanderpool's earlier this week. While the family has felt a sense of closure since the discovery, the whereabouts of Vanderpool's body and the means of his death still remain a mystery.

WELLSBORO, Pennsylvania- A man who shot and wounded three people in a Tioga County home faces his preliminary hearing this week. Gerald A. Morrow, 30, of Corning stands accused of shooting his wife and another couple in a Middlebury Township home. The shooting was prompted by an argument between Morrow and his wife, Darlene, on the morning of Feb. 2. Darlene Morrow fled to the home of Rebecca and Frederick Douglas. Gerald Morrow followed, and shot his wife in the leg. Then, blaming the Douglases for his wife leaving him, Morrow shot Frederick Douglas in the abdomen, and a projectile from that shot also wounded Rebecca Douglas. Morrow then fled the scene, and was later apprehended at his mother's home in Dundee, New York. Morrow stands charged with three counts of felony attempted murder and aggravated assault.

All information taken from cnn.com and wetmtv.com

The "do's" and "do nots" of having a successful internship

By KAITLYN TAGGART
Special to the Flashlight

Many enter college with the mindset that after graduating they will score the perfect job with benefits, a high salary and an understanding boss.

One of the most valuable things college students forget is the importance of an internship. According to collegenews.com, "Getting a good internship will put you one step ahead."

Internships will help you better determine which department interests you the most and will best prepare you for the future."

The purpose of an internship is to allow students to get first hand experience of their future occupation. Internships also help companies tutor future employees in the way they run their businesses. Usually interns are hired for that particular job. This brings up one of the most important aspects of how to be a successful intern: Enjoying the internship.

Pick something you enjoy doing. If you are majoring in broadcasting, an internship for a radio station would be a good choice. It would not be the best decision to work for a hospital if you want have your voice heard on the air.

When you apply for an internship, keep in mind that some pay, some do not pay, some are full-time and some part-time. Do your research.

Also remember that some internships require training, while others offer the chance to go on 6 a.m. coffee runs. Every internship is different.

As you begin your internship, one of the first things to do is establish a good relationship with your boss. You want to be on his or her good side.

Asking for help from your boss or supervisor is also important. If you are having trouble with some aspect of the job, the supervisor is the person to ask. You don't want to keep doing things wrong.

Ask your boss about your weaknesses. The best way to improve is to understand what you need to work harder at. Eventually, weaknesses turn into strengths and your boss will be the first person to recognize that change.

Be sure to get a well-rounded experience during your internship. Collegenews.com says that "will help you better determine which department interests you the most and will best prepare you for the future."

Keep in mind the location of your internship. Will it supply housing? Is this something you're willing to sacrifice?

Most internships help students decide their future. It can push them toward a wonderful life, or it can pull them back into reality.

Going into the internship, remember to have a positive attitude. It's meant to help you, not stress you. You've got to step into the real world sometime.

Ten Tips for Finding an Internship (Careersintransit.com)

1. Define your goals
2. Meet with your career counselor
3. Start early and explore your options
4. Develop your resume and cover letter
5. Research your internship projects
6. Implement your internship program
7. Follow-up on applications
8. Develop your power interview abilities
9. Send thank you notes, be patient
10. Evaluate internship offers

Facebook gives students a chance to become part of television series

Facebook, the Internet's leading social utility, and Ziddio.com, a national multiplatform user-generated video site recently launched by Comcast Interactive Media, announced a partnership that will allow Facebook users to create and share user-generated videos and give them the chance to become part of a new television series titled "Facebook Diaries."

Beginning in March, the companies will kickoff a program that includes contests asking users to submit short video segments about their lives. Throughout the contests, Facebook users will be encouraged to upload, view, share and rate the videos. Selected videos will be featured prominently online on Facebook and Ziddio.com and on television.

Submitted videos also form the basis for the new television series, "Facebook Diaries," to be produced by R.J. Cutler, the Oscar-nominated, Emmy award-winning producer of TV shows, including "American High" and "30 Days." Cutler will choose from the best submissions and weave them together to produce ten half-hour episodes that will air online and on television.

"Video sharing is extremely popular among Facebook's 16 million users," said Owen Van Natta, chief operating officer, Facebook. "Through our partnership with Comcast, we are making it even easier for the Facebook community to share video content in a trusted online environment and giving them the opportunity to tell their stories on TV."

"Everyone has a story to tell and "Facebook Diaries" is a really new and exciting way for people to share their experiences," said producer R.J Cutler. "The concept is a fresh spin on entertainment and programming, and I think it's truly groundbreaking. Facebook and Comcast are terrific partners for this and I can't wait to get started."

Once the contests launch in March, Facebook users can begin uploading video by joining the Ziddio-sponsored group on Facebook or through Ziddio at www.ziddio.com. To join Facebook, people can authenticate into a school or work network, or they can join a regional network by registering at www.facebook.com.

Ziddio is a new multiplatform user-generated site launched last year by Comcast Interactive Media. The site brings together premium networks and partners to host co-branded contests with unique prizes and the chance for users to showcase their content across multiple platforms--online, on Comcast's ON DEMAND service and on linear networks.

Review: "The Vagina Monologues" stands against violence and sexual discrimination

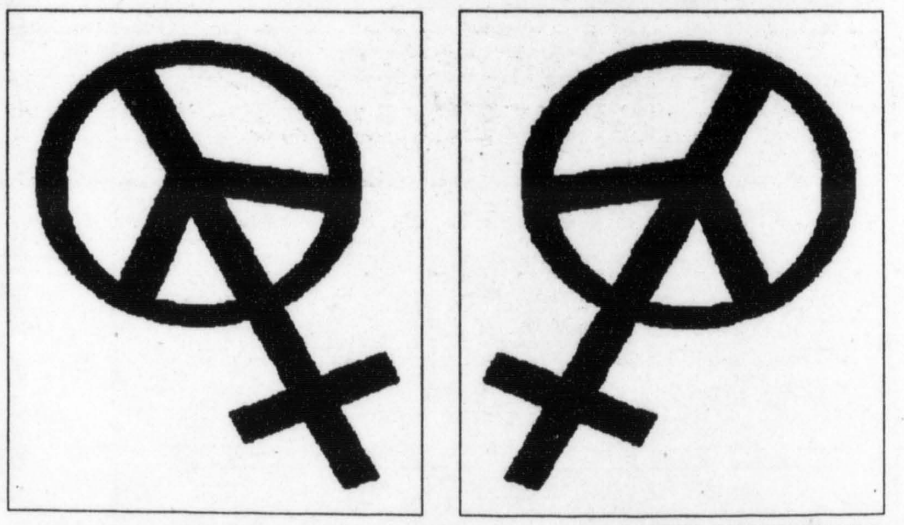
By ISAAC PRAGLE
Advertising Manager

"The Vagina Monologues" was presented Feb. 15 and 16 as part of Mansfield University's V-Day celebration.

Mansfield University participated in V-Day by presenting three performances of Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues," a collection of stories about real women from all over the world who shared the experiences they have had being a woman and with their "most private parts."

According to vday.org "V-Day, which stands for Victory, Valentine and Vagina, is a global movement to stop violence against women and girls. V-Day generates broader attention for the fight to stop violence against women and girls, including rape, battery, incest, female genital mutilation, and sexual slavery."

The performance featured 15 women performing 19 different monologues which were drawn either from one woman's story or from a combination of women. With titles ranging from the more funny and light "The Woman who Loved to Make Vaginas Happy" to the more serious and poignant "My Vagina Was My Village," which really hit home why V-Day is celebrated and why it is necessary to take action. To quote the monologue, "Not since the soldiers put a long thick rifle inside me. So cold, the steel rod cancelling my heart. Don't know whether they're going to fire it or shove it through my spinning brain. Six of them, monstrous doctors with black masks shoving bottles up me too. There were sticks and the end of a broom." This is just one of the chilling examples of what real women have gone through and why something needs to be done now.



IMAGES FROM VDAY.ORG

In Africa, the Middle East and Asia, V-Day gives continual support to build movements and anti-violence networks. According to vday.org, "V-Day provided hard-won funding that helped open the first shelters for women in Egypt and Iraq, sponsored annual workshops and three national campaigns in Afghanistan, convened the "Confronting Violence" conference of South Asian women leaders, and donated satellite-phones to Afghan women to keep lines of communication open and action plans moving forward."

Although the audience was reserved at the beginning, by the end they were really into the performance and moved by the powerful message.

Sophomore Amber Badeau attended the performance. "It was the first time I had went to "The Vagina Monologues" and I was not sure what to expect. I thought it was funny, but at the same time interesting. It gives people some awareness on how women are treated around the world. My favorite monologue was "My Vagina Was My Village" because it was so sad to think that women actually went through what they did, but would still share their story to try and stop the violence from happening to anyone else," Badeau said.

All money raised at the performance will be split between four different organizations including HAVEN of Tioga County, the Bradford County ARCC program, the MU Advocacy Program and the V-Day Spotlight Fund "Women in Conflict Zones."

Joe's Academy Award predictions: Who will win?

By JOE SEROSKI
Flashlight Features Co-Editor

The most exciting weekend in film is soon upon us where 2007's best films and performances get the highest recognition. Ellen DeGeneres hosts the 79th annual Academy Awards on Sunday, Feb. 27, 2007. Being the film fan I am, I decided to give you my predictions at the Oscars. Here are give you the nominees and then I will tell you my pick.

The big nominations this year went to "Dreamgirls" with eight, however, it was left out as a nominee for Best Motion Picture of the Year. "Babel" followed with seven, "The Queen" had six, and "The Departed" received five nominations.

Best Motion Picture of the Year: "Babel", "The Departed", "Letters from Iwo Jima", "Little Miss Sunshine", "The Queen"

My Pick: "Babel"

Although I would like to see Martin Scorcese and company take home the gold with "The Departed," "Babel" is receiving much deserved praise. Already winning the Golden Globe for Best Film and receiving seven Oscar nominations, it would not surprise anyone if "Babel" got the Motion Picture of the Year nod. Brad Pitt and Cate Blanchett star in the drama thriller directed by Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu in which a married couple is struck with tragedy while on vacation. Pitt supposedly gave up a role in "The Departed" (which he co-produced) to play Richard in "Babel."

IMAGE FROM WWW.APPLE.COM
"Babel" director, Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu also directed the film "21 Grams".

Best Performance by an Actor in a Leading Role: Leonardo DiCaprio in "Blood Diamond", Ryan Gosling in "Half Nelson", Peter O'Toole in "Venus", Will Smith in "The Pursuit of Happyness", Forest Whitaker in "The Last King of Scotland"

My Pick: Forest Whitaker

Forest Whitaker plays Idi Armin, the Ugandan dictator in "The Last King of Scotland." The movie is based on the events of the dictator's regime as observed by his personal physician in the 1970s. Whitaker received his first ever Academy Award nomination this year and has already won Best Actor at the BAFTA Awards, The Golden Globe Awards, and the Screen Actors Guild awards, among many more for his performance in "The Last King of Scotland." Whitaker reportedly spent several months in Uganda researching for his starring role.

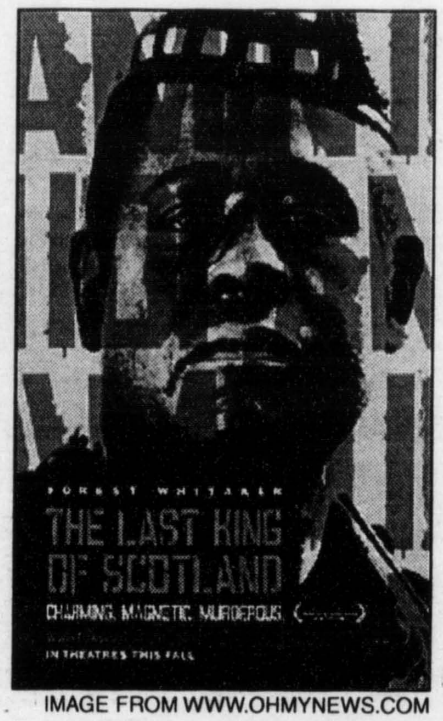


IMAGE FROM WWW.OHMYNEWS.COM
Forest Whitaker had to gain weight for his role in "The Last King of Scotland."

Best Performance by an Actress in a Leading Role: Penelope Cruz in "Volver", Judi Dench in "Notes on a Scandal", Helen Mirren in "The Queen", Meryl Streep in "The Devil Wears Prada", Kate Winslet in "Little Children"

My Pick: Helen Mirren

Helen Mirren plays Queen Elizabeth II in "The Queen." The film centers around Queen Elizabeth's reaction after the death of Lady Diana Spencer which sparks a public relations fiasco that Prime Minister Tony Blair has to handle. Mirren already won awards at the Golden Globes and Screen Actors Guild for her role in "The Queen." Mirren's performance received a five-minute standing ovation at its premiere at the Venice Film Festival.

IMAGE FROM WWW.NEWSDAY.COM
Helen Mirren is the only actress to play Queen Elizabeth I and Queen Eliabeth II.

Best Achievement in Directing: Clint Eastwood for "Letters from Iwo Jima", Stephen Frears for "The Queen", Paul Greengrass for "United 93", Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu for "Babel", Martin Scorcese for "The Departed"

My Pick: Martin Scorcese

Martin Scorcese has been nominated for Best Director six times at the Academy Awards but never won. This should be the year Scorcese brings home the coveted Oscar. "The Departed" involves two men on different sides of the law working undercover in the Massachusetts State Police and Irish Mafia. The film's allstar cast includes Leonardo DiCaprio, Matt Damon, Jack Nicholson, Mark Wahlberg, and Martin Sheen. "The Departed" is Scorcese's highest grossing film to date.

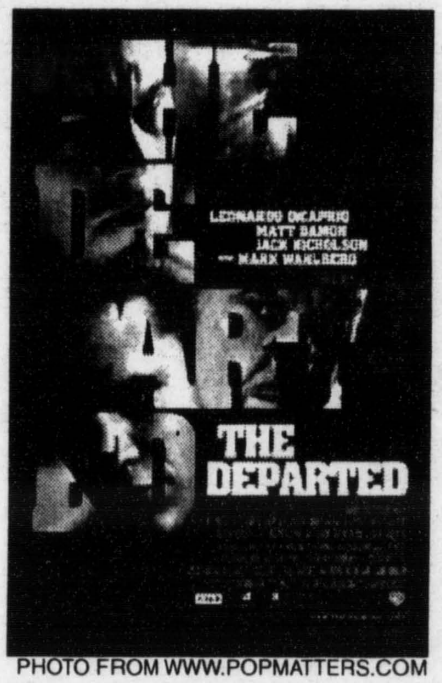


PHOTO FROM WWW.POPMATTERS.COM
Martin Scorcese wanted to shoot all of "The Departed" in Boston, however, concerns on production and politics forced much of the filming to take place in New York City.

Best Performance for an Actor in a Supporting Role: Alan Arkin in "Little Miss Sunshine", Jackie Earle Haley in "Little Children", Djimon Hounsou in "Blood Diamond", Eddie Murphy in "Dreamgirls", Mark Wahlberg in "The Departed"

My Pick: Eddie Murphy

Eddie Murphy seems to be this year's favorite to win Best Supporting Actor for his performance in "Dreamgirls." Murphy already took home the best supporting nod at the Golden Globes and Screen Actors Guild Awards and one more at the Academy Awards is expected. "Dreamgirls" is based on the Broadway musical which centers on three black female souls singers who make it on the pop charts in the 1960s. Murphy plays the role of James "Thunder" Early, a James Brown-esque soul man. This is Murphy's first ever Academy Award nomination.

PHOTO FROM WWW.SMH.COM.AU
Eddie Murphy accepted the role of James Early after Jamie Foxx supposedly turned down the role because of the salary offer.

Best Performance by an Actress in a Supporting Role: Adriana Barraza in "Babel", Cate Blanchett in "Notes on a Scandal", Abigail Breslin in "Little Miss Sunshine", Jennifer Hudson in "Dreamgirls", Rinko Kikuchi in "Babel"

My Pick: Jennifer Hudson

Jennifer Hudson is also the favorite to win the Academy Award for Supporting Actress. She also has won at the Golden Globes for her performance in "Dreamgirls." The film was Hudson's first acting role.

IMAGE FROM WWW.CHICAGOIST.COM
Jennifer Hudson reportedly beat out over 500 actresses for her role in "Dreamgirls."

Best Animated Feature Film of the Year: "Cars", "Happy Feet", "Monster House"

My Pick: "Cars"

Owen Wilson, Paul Newman and company made "Cars" a big hit in the Summer of 06. "Cars" won at several award shows for best animated film and is a favorite to win the oscar.

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The animators sketched up over 43,000 drawings for designs of the cars.

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A tale as old as time: Mansfield pre

Disney's "Beau

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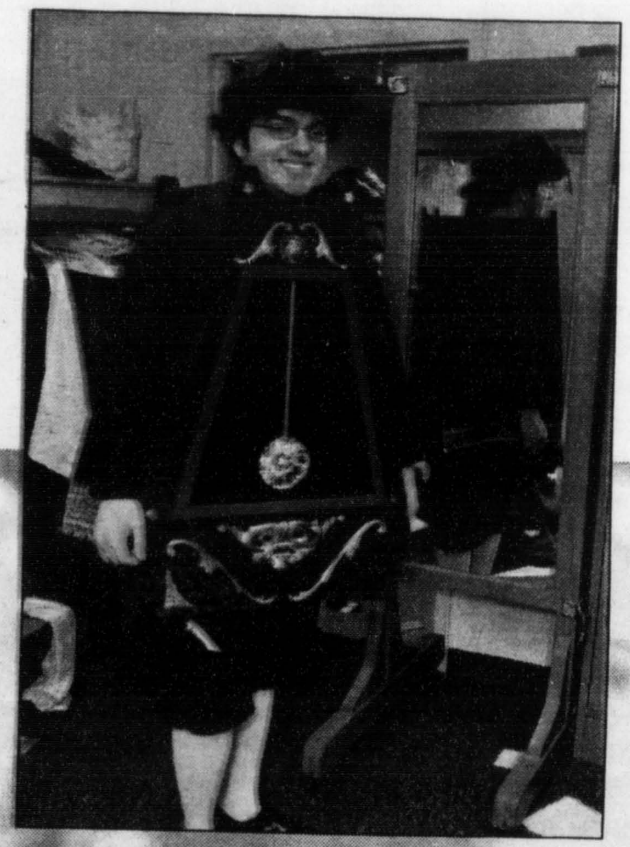

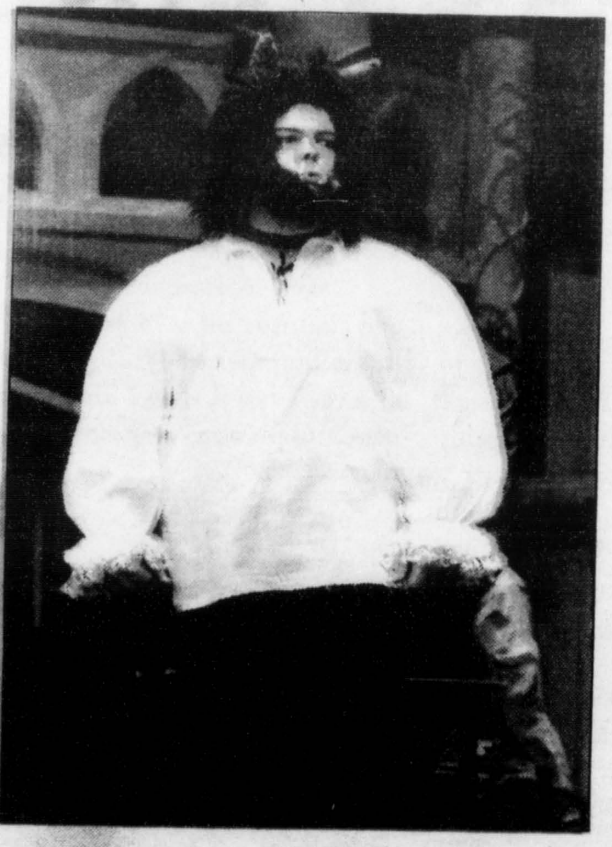

Tickets for the MU production are available either online at http://music.mansfield.edu/ or at the Straughn Auditorium Box Office.

Beauty and the Beast features such songs as "Be Our Guest", "Human Again", "Gaston", "If I Can't Love Her", and the title song.

According to Music Theatre International, the owner of rights to the production, "Beauty and the Beast" was the most performed show by amateurs and regional theatres in 2006.

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Designed and Directed by Michael Crum
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Awards for "Beauty and the Beast"

Academy Award for Best Song and Original Score, first animated feature to be nominated for the Best Picture Award

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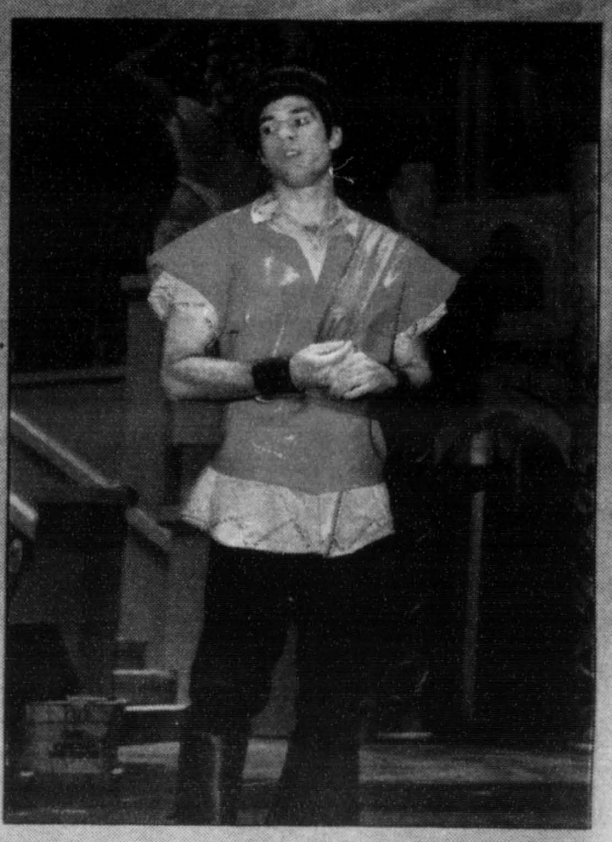

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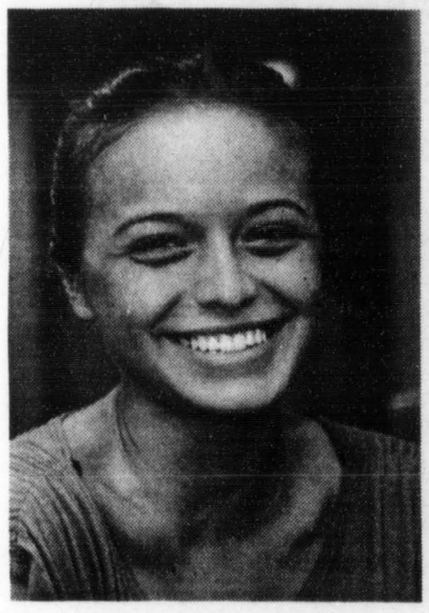


Sensationalism in today's media

Turn on the television, radio, internet and you're bombarded with images from that particular week's media craze. What does it happen to be this week? Britney Spears's bald head.

Last week my editorial dealt with a college newspaper that was trying to prove that today's media is too sensational. They took it too far with their satire on rape, but they did have a point.

Most stories in the media today are not worth the amount of attention that they get. Every week it's a different story. Two weeks ago it was the astronaut who drove halfway across the country in a diaper. Last week it was the death of Anna Nicole Smith and the mystery of who is her baby's father.

This week it is the ongoing drama of Britney Spears. She isn't just out partying or driving with her son in her lap this time. Nope, this week Britney shaved her head. She shaved her head on Friday night and it was in the news as early as Saturday. Her hair has been put up for auction and she has made headlines on CNN, MSNBC.com, FOXNews and ABC.

On ABC's "The View," Joy Behar commented on Britney's state of mind, along with almost every other talking head in the media.

Britney checked into rehab on Tuesday at an undisclosed location for abuse of a controlled substance. This event should be in the news once, if that, but it will be played and analyzed over and over again until the next outrageous thing catches the medias attention. My questions is; why???

Who honestly cares about Britney Spears shaving her head? How is her shaved head going to affect our world tomorrow? And if it is a cry for help as most people are saying, *again* - who cares? Maybe who cares isn't the right question but rather; why is it any of our business? That is a private matter, hundreds of people enter rehab each year for one problem or another and no one cares. But as soon as a celebrity has a problem and goes into a rehabilitation facility the entire country feels like they just *have* to know.

What happened to people caring about real news? Real events that are happening in this country and across the world that could actually affect them? Because knowing what rehab facility Britney Spears checked into isn't going to make or break your life but people act as though it will. While other events (Hint: war!) actually could affect your life.

This sensationalism in the media is not always the media's fault, they typically are just giving the public what they want to hear. The average person doesn't seem to care about actual news, they just want to be entertained.

CNN.com says it all. When you are on the home page of CNN.com there are two tabs in the center on the page. Under "Latest News," one says "Top Stories," and the other "Most Popular."

The "Top Stories" tab contains stories concerning the War in Iraq, the ongoing Scooter Libby trial, Iran, Anna Nicole, Britney Spears and a 13-year-old killer. The "Most Popular" tab only has five stories in common with "Top Stories," and are ranked in the following order:

1. Joke is over Brit in rehab
2. Doc: Bury Anna Nicole Smith soon
3. Goldmans can get O.J's royalties
4. Admiral questions Iran motives
5. Teen: I killed homeless man
6. Reports: UK to withdraw troops
7. New Orleans marks 2nd Mardis Gras since Katrina
8. Army hospital trouble revealed
9. James Brown's body to be buried
10. Moms' 6 biggest sleep mistakes

Britney Spears entering rehab and shaving her head is more popular with the majority of Americans than the current state of a war that their country has been involved in for six years!

I find this completely outrageous. Sure everyone likes a little mindless entertain every once in awhile, that's what "E! The Entertainment Channel " is for. But the trend seems to be that Americans like mindless entertainment more often than not.

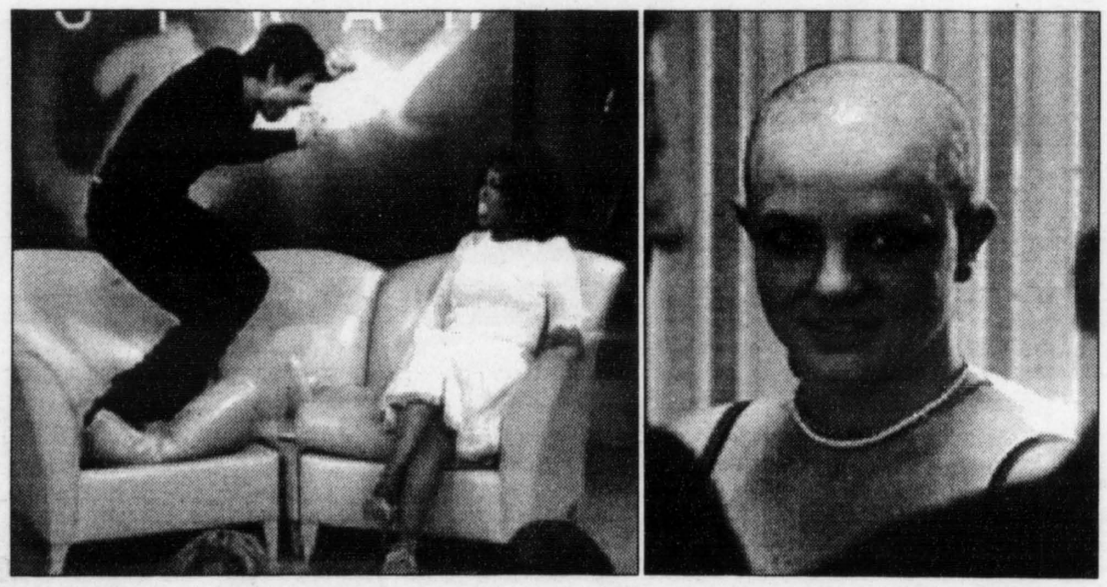
The media, then trying to accommodate to what the people want often overkill a certain topic.

How many remember the media blitz when Tom Cruise went crazy on Oprah's couch? If you don't, well I just don't understand how you missed it. Sure it was pretty funny to watch this actor jumping up and down like a fool on Oprah's show for the first oh... lets say 10 times it was replayed but after that it just got old. . Sure it was a bit odd that this grown man was acting so strangely but the media just couldn't let it go. Every time after that if Tom Cruise did something slightly out of the ordinary it was all over television for the next two weeks.

The media sensationalizes stories for shock value. It reports on things that are entertaining rather than important to get people to watch. For now, it seems as though it's working. As a whole we're being sucked in and falling for the trap. Most Americans would rather be entertained at the end of the day with the latest Hollywood gossip than real news. I hope that some day we stop falling for that trap and actually start caring about what is going on in this world. I think that will happen when the media realizes that people can only see so many pictures of Britney's shaved head before they get tired of waiting for the real news and stop watching entirely.

What do you think?

E-mail your thoughts to flashlit@mansfield.edu



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Britney's new do is the latest media craze. In the past the media has sensationalized events such as Tom Cruise jumping on Oprah's couch professing his love for Katie Holmes.

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Letter to the Editor: Leadership at Mansfield

Dear Editor:

I am currently participating in my internship and have been made aware that a leadership retreat has been organized with the title "Y Change Only Your World, When You Could Change Our World?" With the university changing its image to leadership, this program is a great effort in addition to the already successful Mountaineer Leadership Program. Reading further into the qualifications, I noted that presidents and vice presidents of organizations are not permitted to apply.

In a small university that has just lost its football program, and much of its pride, we can best recover by following the new slogan as we try "developing tomorrow's leaders." Whether it's the straight-A student at the top of the class, the part-time non-traditional student or the president of SGA, this university needs to encourage the best from everyone. All students need and deserve encouragement from faculty and staff to become leaders, not to be prohibited from participating in events because of their accomplishments.

I understand the organizers of the retreat are trying to reach students who are shy or less involved, but why would these students participate if not for the involvement of their peer leaders? Much of my experience in extracurricular activities can be attributed to the people for whom I worked. Had it not been for their encouragement, I may not have continued my involvement with the newspaper and never would have become editor-in-chief. From what I have observed, efforts to reach the shy, reserved, and inexperienced masses are ineffective. It's important for professors and peers of the uninvolved to help develop their self-confidence and join them in experiences like leadership retreats.

As an outgoing senior, I have a strong attachment to the school and its future. From academics to activities, I am discouraged to see any students excluded from participation in something that benefits them. Although the retreat's name asks why we as students are not working to change our world, college students must first discover their own world: confidence, passion, desire, goals, communication, and motivation. These are all key ingredients for a successful leader.

To quote the old slogan, there are "big opportunities" at Mansfield. Let's begin by encouraging the students of Mansfield to conduct some introspective research and improve as individuals to they can gain the best possible experiences at our small university.

Permit all students to take part in this mission of leadership and the apprehensive might discover that leaders are born of groups and are best educated by experiences with each other.

Sincerely,

Erica Hudock
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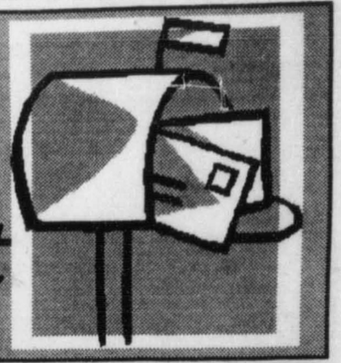

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8p-10p	The Combover Show	Connie and Kate	Time Warp	Mountie Sports (7-9)	The Last Ride		
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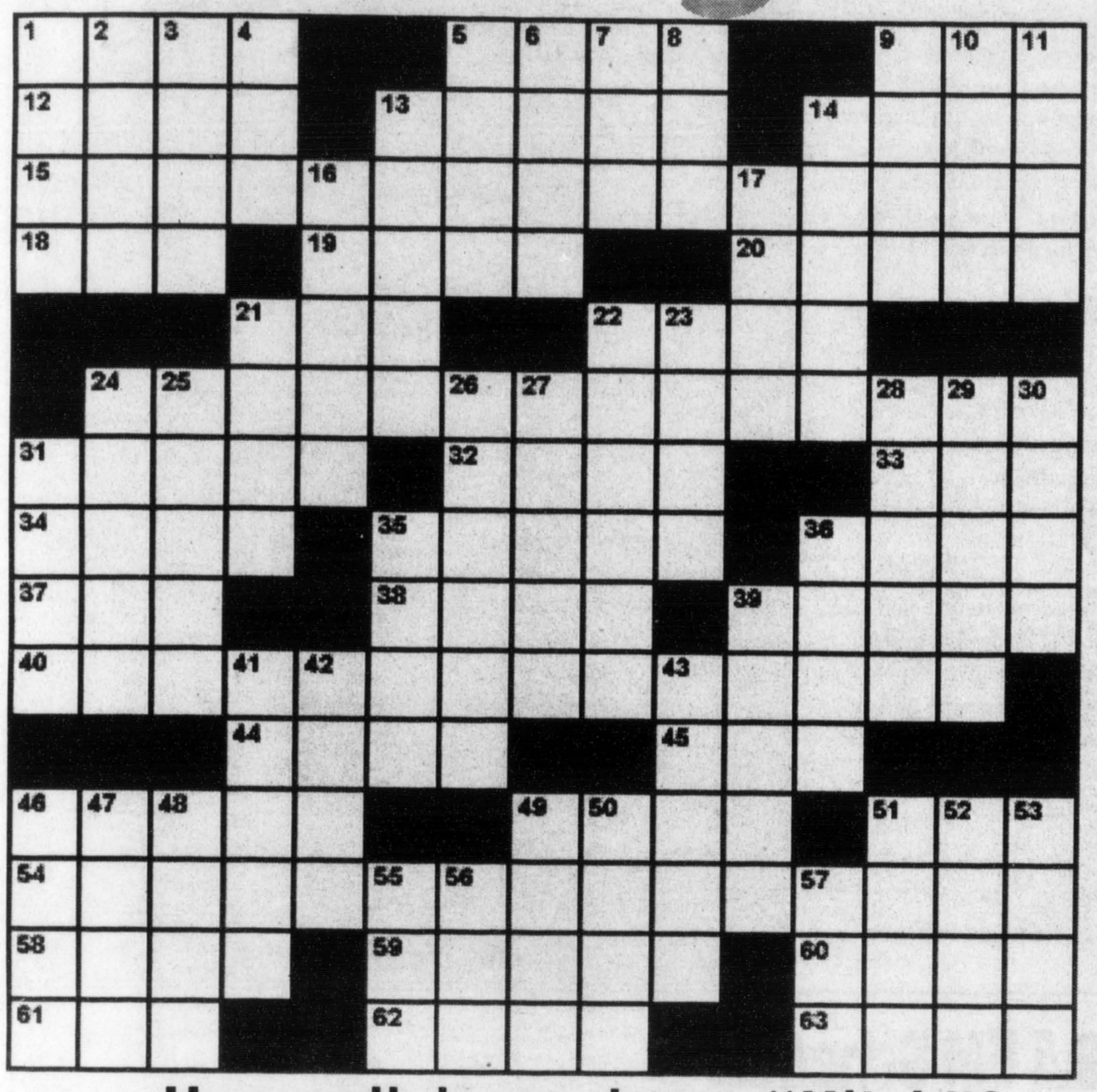

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12. Drab

13. Mentholated

14. Tasty winter drink

15. MANTEL

18. Self

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20. Put clothes on

21. Palindromic pet

22. Ground corn

24. AARON

31. Travels on ice, accidentally

32. Shoppe beverage option

33. Ground metal

34. Bee home

35. Annoyances

36. Ones state before 20 Across

37. Loneliest number

38. Anatomical network

39. Taste or smell

40. RUTH

44. Assists

45. Butterfly catcher

46. Pastoral poem

49. Fence portal

51. Vacation spot

54. JACKSON

58. She always gets what she wants

59. Imp

60. Drab

61. Before, poetically

62. Satisfy

63. React to appropriately

Down

1. Adept

2. Molten leftovers

3. Put Rocky on the floor

4. That female subject

5. Drum partner

6. Excited about

7. Ultimate degree

8. Change color

9. Not less

10. Play portions

11. Audience responses to danger

13. Change shape

14. Charlie in Chihuahua

16. Disorderly defeats

17. Made cheese backwards

21. Church leader

22. Liquefied, as lava

23. Newts' relatives

24. Russian pancake, served with fish eggs

25. Metal fastener

26. Islamic prince

27. Follower of Haile Salassie, for short

28. White Italian wine

29. Computer glitch

30. Crystal ball gazer

31. Search in a supermarket

35. Cattle stick, may be electronic

36. Thai money

39. Having a significant slope

41. WWII Conference location

42. Seek trout

43. Like the best beer

46. Here on Gilligan's ____

47. Wall portal

48. Type of holiday log

49. Example of 35 Across

50. Highest point

51. Bump ones toe

52. Like some ale

53. Close associate

55. Curvy letter

56. Early music company

57. Altar vow

How well do you know "Hitch"?

Answer the questions below to find out

1. What is Hitch's full name?
A.Gary Hitchcock
B.Alex Hitchens
C.Roger Hitchfeather
D.Alex Hitchmen

2. Where does Hitch take Sara on their first date?
A. The Statue of liberty
B.Ellis Island
C.Brooklyn Bridge
D. Empire State Building

3. Albert takes Allegra to a sporting event, which team did they go see?
A. New York Knicks
B.New York Yankees
C.New York Rangers
D.New York Giants

4. What "skill" does Hitch try to teach Albert?
A. Paying for dinner
B. Conversation
C. Kissing
D. Holding hands

5. What "chick flick" is Sara watching during the film?
A.Jerry Maguire
B.You've Got Mail
C. Sleepless in Seattle
D.While you were Sleeping

6. What did Albert teach Allegra to do?
A. Drive
B.Whistle
C.Dance
D.Snap

7. When Albert was eating a hot dog what does he get all over his face?
A.relish
B.ketchup
C.mustard
D. mayonaise

8. What was the name of the client that HItch refused to help?
A. Jack Riley
B. Lance Springer
C. Carl Frederick
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On the sidelines with Nicole Dann of the Mansfield Mountaineer cross-country and track & field team

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Copy Editor

Nicole Dann is currently ranked second in the PSAC championships in the mile and third in the PSAC in the 800m. Dann has had an impressive season thus far. I was able to talk to Dann about track, field hockey, and her life.

Danelle Miller: What year are you and what is your major?
Nicole Dann: I am a senior and I am a duel major in Nutrition and Dietetics and Sports Nutrition.

DM: Why did you choose the major you are in?
ND: I have always been interested in food and health issues, which is probably due to the environment I was raised in and because of my involvement in athletics and learning how to improve my performance through nutrition.

DM: Where is your hometown?
ND: I am from London, Ontario, Canada.

DM: What made you decide to attend Mansfield University?
ND: I fell in love with Mansfield because I felt it could offer me everything I wanted in a university, such as being able to participate in field hockey and track at the Division II level. That is something I probably wouldn't be able to do at many other schools. Athletic scholarships are non-existent in Canada, so many Canadians come to the United States to be able to earn a degree and do what they love. Mansfield also had the Sports Nutrition degree I was searching for, which is something that also doesn't exist in Canada. When I came on my visit, everyone was so friendly, down to earth and accepting.

DM: Is it difficult living in the United States and being so far away from home?
ND: I actually don't live too far. It's about a five to six hour drive, but yes it can be difficult living far from home. I think being involved in three seasons of athletics makes it more challenging. If I am lucky I get to go home once in the fall, but in the spring time I usually never get to go home. I am actually really excited because this weekend my family is coming to watch me run at the PSAC Conference meet at East Stroudsburg University. They usually come down every year for this meet!

DM: When did you being running track?
ND: I began running in fifth-grade, but I began running in a competitive track club in seventh-grade.

DM: What interested you in track?
ND: It's hard trying to remember back that far what really interested me, but I think what I enjoyed then and still love now is the feeling I get after running, almost like a high. It has always been an outlet for me to release built up emotion, time for me to think and time for me to absorb nature. I have always had a desire to run and a strong passion for it.

DM: What motivates you during the season?
ND: What motivates me are my goals, which I usually discuss with Coach Rohl at the beginning of each season.

DM: How do you prepare for each meet?
ND: Usually two days before the meet I try to make sure I get good rest, eat well and hydrate myself. The day of the meet I make sure I get a really good breakfast, I listen to music that pumps me up and I visualize my race after discussing a race plan with Coach Rohl.

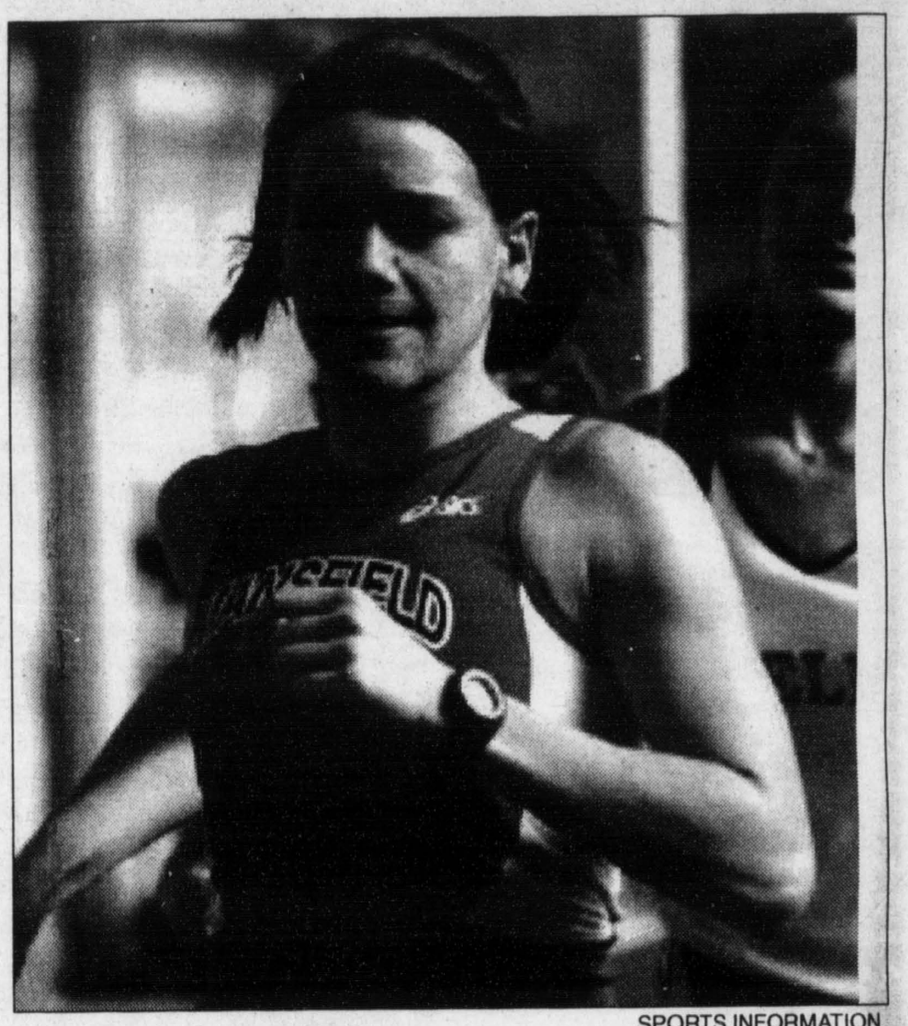
DM: How do you think you will finish this season?
ND: I am fairly confident and determined that I will finish the season well, especially since this is my last collegiate indoor track season.

DM: What are some awards you have earned for track?
ND: Last year, after the indoor season, I earned Most Valuable Player for the Women's Track team. Last spring I earned Academic All-American for qualifying provisionally in the 1500m. Just last week I earned PSAC Female Track Athlete of the Week.

DM: What have you learned from track that you will take with you into the future?
ND: I have learned so much about myself, such as my growth of self-confidence, self-awareness and leadership skills. I have also learned a lot about self-discipline, consistency, time-management skills and teamwork.

DM: Do you have a coach that has helped you to become a better track athlete?
ND: I have had the chance to work with many track coaches and have learned and taken so much from each, but Coach Rohl has always instilled the idea that each athlete should become a student of their event, and so I feel that working with Coach Rohl has allowed me to chance to be more involved. I believe this has made me a better track athlete by having the ability of being more self-aware both physically and psychologically. Also, Coach Rohl has a wealth of knowledge in the field of middle and long-distance, this can be seen though our athletes' performances.

DM: Do you have any professional runners that you look up to?
ND: I have always looked up to Female Canadian Track athletes, such as Olympian Diane Cummins, who also runs the 800m and 1500m.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Nicole Dann has stood out in her senior year as a mid-distance runner for the Mansfield Mountaineers. She has already been named PSAC runner of the week once this season, and will look to make her season long efforts pay off in the upcoming PSAC championships

DM: What is your favorite sport besides track?
ND: This is a tough question for me because I love pretty much all sports, but I would have to say field hockey, but next to that would be softball since I used to play competitively. I also really love ice hockey (it's a way of life in Canada) and I used to dream of being a speed skater.

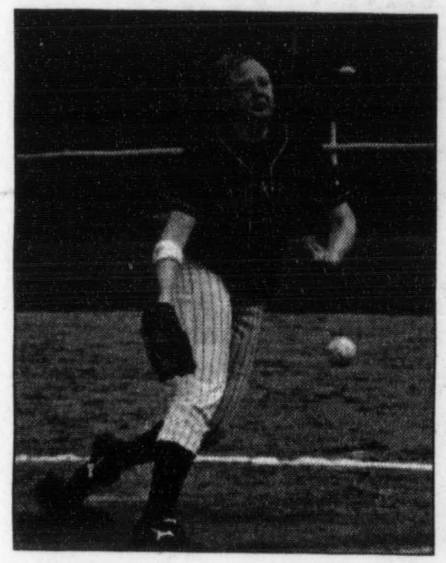
DM: Are you a part of any other athletic teams at Mansfield?
ND: I am a part of Mansfield's Field Hockey Team.

DM: Is it difficult to play one sport and then transition into another sport?
ND: For me this has been a little challenging because I am often in a different kind of shape, since each sport requires and uses different muscles. Sometimes it can be hard on friendships with teammates, because you go from seeing everyday during one season and then I might not see them as much during my other sport season.

DM: How do you keep yourself in shape during the transitional period between field hockey and track?
ND: There really isn't much of a transitional period between sports. I pretty much jump into the next sport, but this year was easier for me since I was training with the Cross Country team during the field hockey season.

Domestic violence is physical, mental, economic, and/or sexual abuse. Domestic violence can be found in all types of relationships, including same sex relationships. Victims of domestic violence stay because they fear their abuser. Quite often, they have nowhere to go, no money and no support. No matter what your situation is or where you are calling from, help and support is available. Call toll-free, 24 hours a day, 1-800-550-0447

Softball preview: Newcomers will play major role in Mountaineers season, Mansfield will have 10 new faces when the season begins



SPORTS INFORMATION
Christine Ross will be the team's ace this season. Mansfield is expecting big things out the senior this year. Ross went 1-0 with 4.26 ERA last year.

By ERIC BOHNANON
Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University softball team will have a new look this year. The team lost it's top two pitchers, the catcher and the whole left side of the infield, but there are 10 newcomers along with the players who are returning and there is excitement for the softball team this season.

With all of the newcomers having to play such a big role, the beginning of the season will be somewhat of an adjustment, but Head Coach Edith Gallagher believes the team will come together. "We have lots of talent with these players. The first few games will be a transition but hopefully our new players will gel with our returnees quickly, if that happens we could be very good", Gallagher said.

The top two pitchers from last year's team are gone, but senior Christine Ross will be looked upon to be the ace of the staff this year. "Christine's at a different level than where she was before. She has had a great off-season and we're looking for to have a breakout season," Gallagher said.

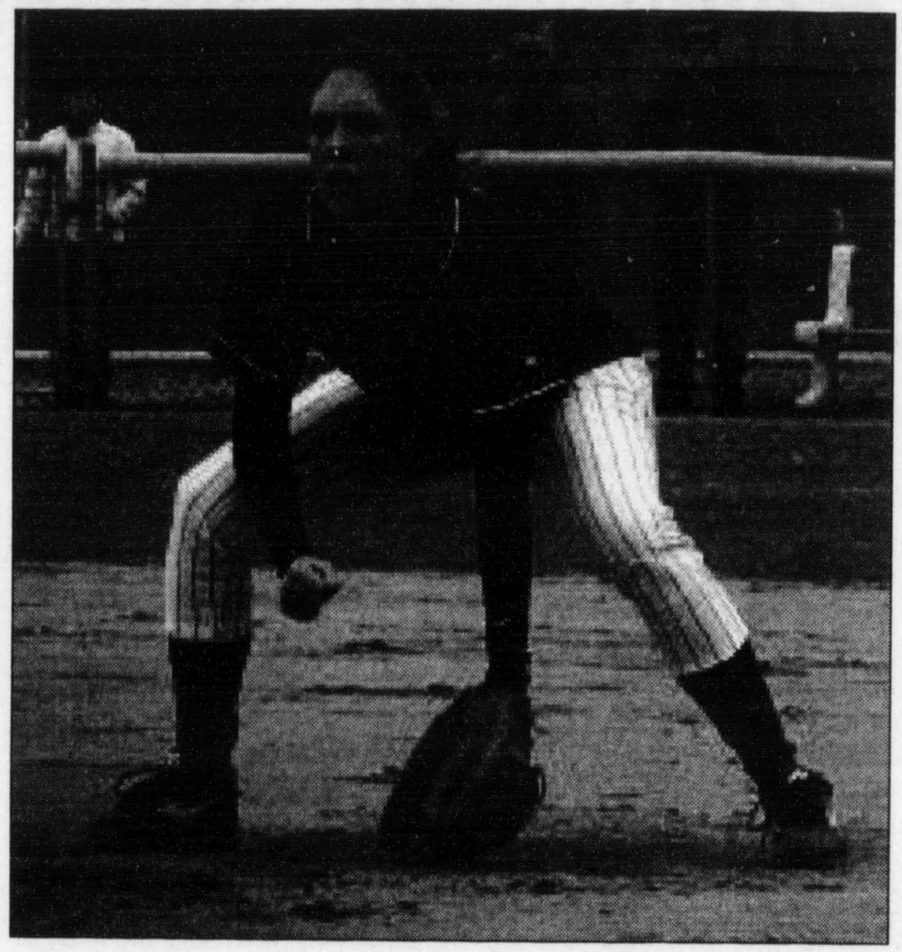
Three junior transfers will add pitching depth, Michelle Forsburg is a transfer from Broome Community College and is a two time Junior College All American. Amanda Lewis and Lindsay Knapp both transferred in from Franklin Pierce College and will battle for innings. Another pitching option is freshman Gabriella Carrulo. "All the pitchers are very good and very different," Gallagher said.

To fill the hole on the left side of the infield, Jessica Christ will move from second base over to shortstop. Last year Christ led the team in batting average, hits, doubles and RBI's. "She's an outstanding hitter and she's all hustle,"Gallagher said. Katie McConville and Brittany Walker will look to fill the hole at third while Walker will also see some time at catcher. Also vying for time at catcher will be freshman Jen Stein and junior transfer Kristina Poore.

In the outfield junior Shana Markwis will move from left field to center. Markwis had a solid season last year finishing third on the team in batting average, hits and doubles while finishing second in RBI's to Christ and leading the team in home runs with five. "Shana plays field hockey in the fall so she's not with us for fall ball, but she's in great shape and ready to go," Gallagher said. Junior Whitney Brown will also play a bigger role this year as she will play first base and right field. Brown hit .275 last year while playing in 28 games.

"The newcomers are going to have to play a big part for us to succeed. The team chemistry will be a key as well", Gallagher said. The lady Mountaineers begin their season at the Patriot Invitational in Florence, South Carolina on March ninth. Their first home game will not be until March 31 in the PSAC east opener against Millersville.

Mansfield is coming off a season where they finished 7-17 in PSAC East play. That mark kept them five games out of the final playoff spot.



SPORTS INFORMATION
Junior Whitney Brown will be looked upon to expand her role this season. Brown will play both right field and first base for the Mountaineers, she hit .275 last season with 12 runs batted in.

Overall the Mountaineers had a solid season finishing just a game under .500 with a 21-22 record. The roster has one senior, seven juniors, two sophomores and five freshman. So look for Mansfield to have contributions from every class this season. All of the action is just a few weeks away. The big question will be can new and old faces co-exixt?

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Mansfield keeps playoff hopes alive with big victory on Senior Day: Terrance Williams honored before the game; scores a team high 16 points

By PAUL OVERWISE
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mountaineers playoff hopes are alive after a huge win this weekend against West Chester. The Mountaineers sit in a 4th place tie with West Chester, but are tied in the loss column with Cheyney and Kutztown.

If Mansfield is able to win their last two games and Millersville win their last two against Cheyney and West Chester, then the Mountaineers would finish in second place and get a home playoff game. Winning out for the Mountaineers would get them into the playoffs no matter what the other teams in the conference do.

On Saturday it was senior day and the Mountaineers took on the West Chester Golden Rams. Terrance Williams the lone senior on the team was honored before the game. It was a close back and forth first half between the two teams. With the game tied at 27, Mansfield went on a 17-3 over the final 5 minutes to go into the half with a 44-30 lead. Terrance Williams scored 10 points for the Mountaineers in the first half.

"We got a big lift off the bench," Head Coach Rich Miller said. "You get 16 points off the bench in the first half and that changes the complexion of things." The bench as well as the team would continue to play well in the second half.

Mansfield went on another run, this time a 14-3 to start the second half to go up by 25. The lead was as large as 26 with the Mountaineers up 66-40 with 12 minutes to go. The Mountaineers got into foul trouble which allowed West Chester to claw back into the game. West Chester was down just 11 with slightly over two minutes to go, but Mansfield hit their foul shots down the stretch and defeated West Chester 85-71.

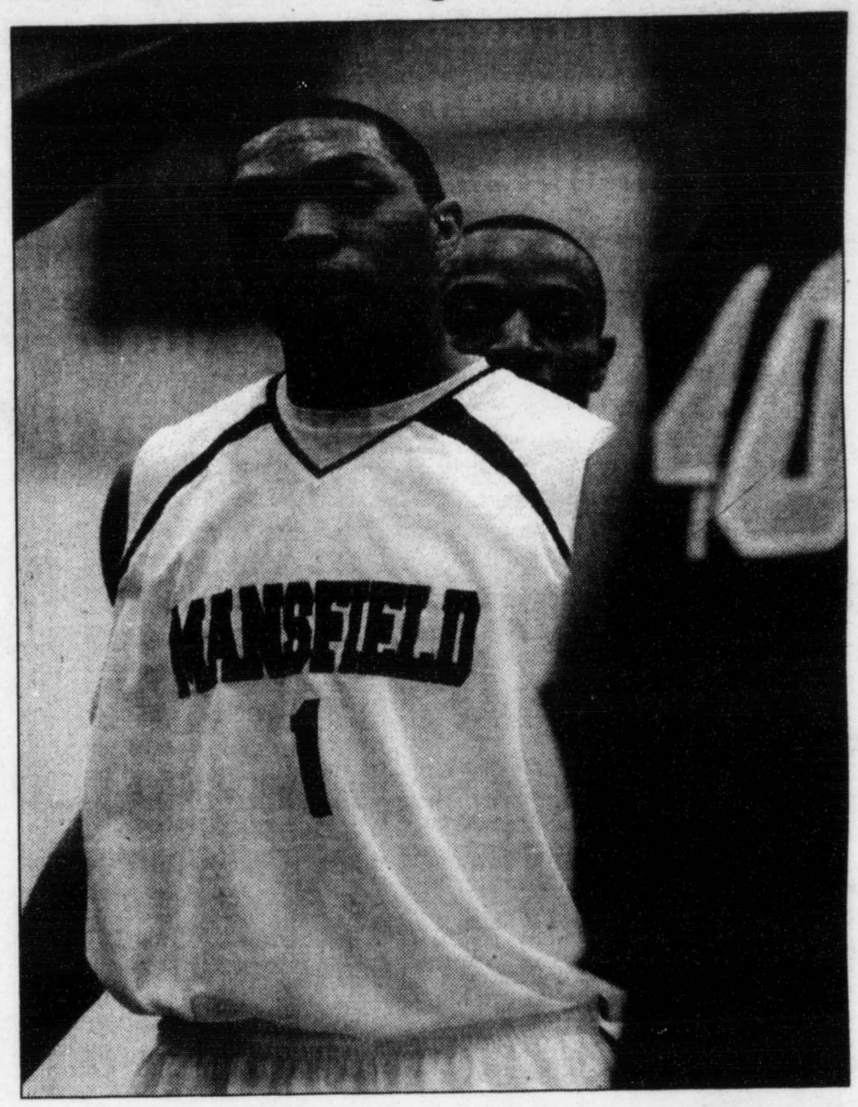
Terrance Williams led the Mountaineers in scoring with 16. Chris Greene chipped in 14 points and nine assists, John Hampton added 13, as well as Jovoun Webb who had 13 off the bench. The Mountaineers benched outscored West Chester 29-5. The Mountaineers also shot 61 percent from beyond the arc. Lenwood Greenwood led the Rams with a double double, 21 points and 10 rebounds. "I just wanted to get things started," Williams said. "It was a big win for us because it keeps us right in the playoff picture while a loss would have probably taken us out of it."

On Monday night, the Mountaineers traveled to Johnstown, PA to take on the Pitt-Johnstown Mountain Cats.

The Mountaineers came out on fire taking a 41-26 halftime lead behind Kevin Hill's 11 first half points. The Mountaineers started strong in the second half leading by as many as 18 after a Chris Greene lay-up. The Mountaineers did not hit another field goal for the next seven minutes. Pitt-Johnstown cut the lead down to 48-41. Mansfield was still up with five minutes remaining, but Pitt-Johnstown would close out the game on a 15-3 run for a 69-58 win.

Kevin Hill led Mansfield with 14 points and Jovoun Webb added 10 off then bench. Mansfield scored a season low 17 points in the second half, while shooting 24 percent from the field. Mansfield was also 1-8 in the second half from beyond the arc. Chris Gilliam led three Pitt-Johnstown players in double figures with 18. Pitt-Johnstown shot 48 percent from the field in the second half.

Mansfield sits at 9-16 overall and 5-5 in PSAC East Conference games. The Mountaineers host East Stroudsburg on Wednesday night. The Mountaineers lost a halftime lead against East Stroudsburg in their first meeting of the season falling 76-58. The Mountaineers close out their regular season on Saturday with a trip to Bloomsburg to take on the Huskies, who they beat in OT by a score of 85-82.



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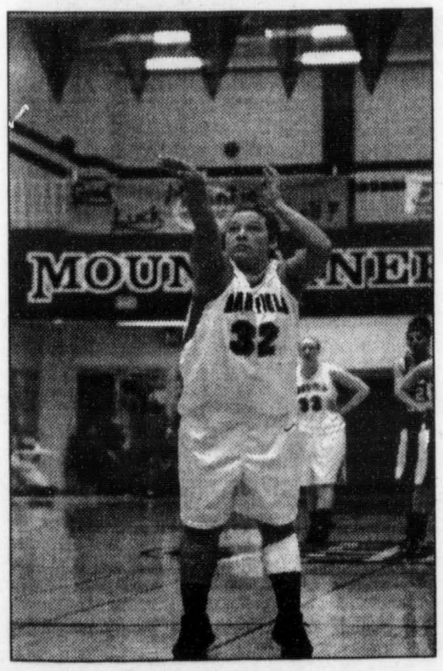
Terrance Williams poured in a game high 16 points on senior day . The senior connected on four out of five three pointers while dishing out three assists. The captain will look to help guide this young Mountaineer team to one final push towards the PSAC playoffs.

Lady Mountaineers get key win against West Chester

Mansfield just one win away from second straight playoff

By PATRICK LAHR
Flashlight Sports Writer

Senior Day is the time for fans and team members to celebrate the accomplishments of a graduating teammate. On Saturday, February 17 it was the Mountaineer's turn to celebrate Jessica Uhrich, the team's lone senior. They did so in both the pre-game ceremonies and during the game, as Mansfield surged past conference championship contender West Chester for the 84-74 victory.



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Brittany Reid's free throws were key down the stretch for the Mountaineers. She hit 6-8 in the final minutes to preserve the win.

Uhrich received a puppy as part of her senior day gift package which helped her calm down shortly after tip-off. "I was so surprised by the puppy that my nerves about the game subsided after the first minute," Uhrich said. She was also given a framed action shot and flowers from her coaches and teammates.

"I really just wanted to play today and get the win," Uhrich said. "Every win is one step closer to the playoffs now, and that's what it's all about right now."

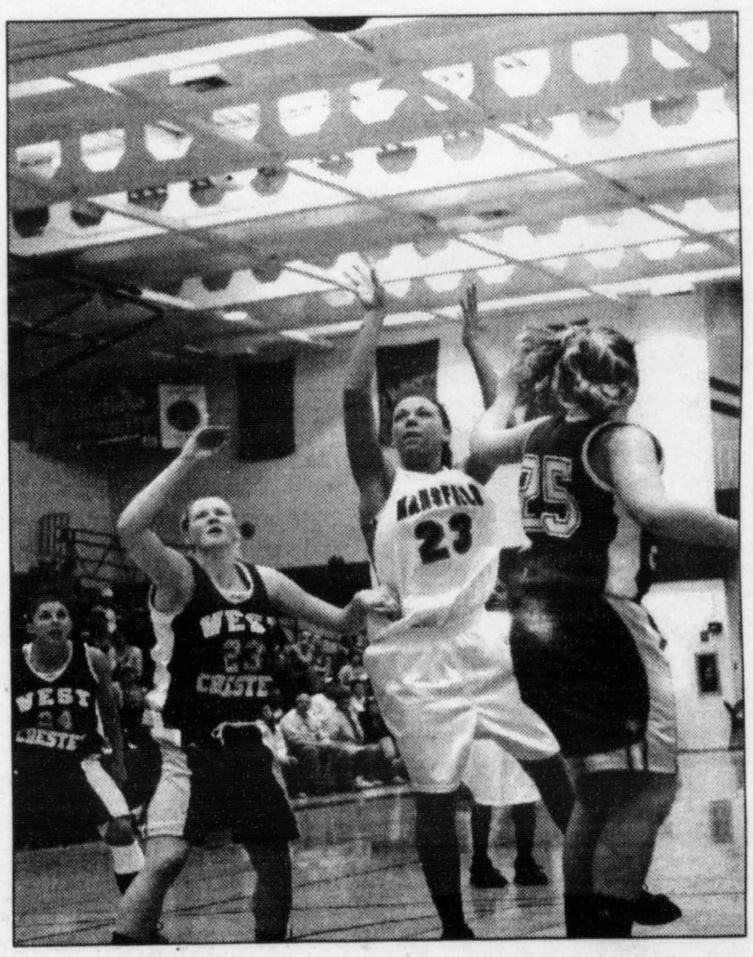
The first half was tightly contested. Neither team was able to pull away as the first 20 minutes of play featured seven ties and eight lead changes. Mansfield went into the half up 31-29 when Emily Akins sank a jumper with only seconds left on the clock.

Mansfield came out of the locker room and started the second half on a 9-0 run. The Golden Rams were never able to take the lead after the run, as Mansfield extended their lead to as many as 14 points. West Chester did come close down the stretch. But Brittany Reed was 6-8 from the free point line in the final minutes, closing the door on the Golden Rams and locking up the win, 84-74.

Mansfield seems to have shrugged off their recent poor shooting, hitting 48.3 percent from the field. The 84 point game was the highest total for the Mountaineers this season. Clarissa Correll led Mansfield with 16 points. Three other players were also in double digits. Mallory Hafer and Uhrich had 14 points, while Courtney Brooks chipped in 11 of her own.

The win put Mansfield at 13-11 overall on the season. More importantly it moved them to 6-4 in the PSAC East. The six conference wins ties the program's record for conference wins in a single season which was set last year. Unlike last season, six wins does not guarantee the Mountaineers a playoff spot, but does put them in control of their own playoff destiny. With a win in either of their last two games they will not only set a school record for conference wins in a season, but they will also clinch a second consecutive PSAC playoff spot. They could also clinch a playoff spot with a Kutztown loss.

The Mountaineers will host conference leaders East Stroudsburg on Wednesday, Feb. 21 at 5:30 p.m. They will close out against the Bloomsburg Huskies.



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Senior Jessica Uhrich scored 14 points in the second to last home game of her illustrious Mountaineer career. Uhrich currently leads the team averaging over 18 points

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Track & Field has one final tuneup before PSAC Championship

Morseman wins 1000 among several Mountaineers who had impressive outing at Kent State Last Chance

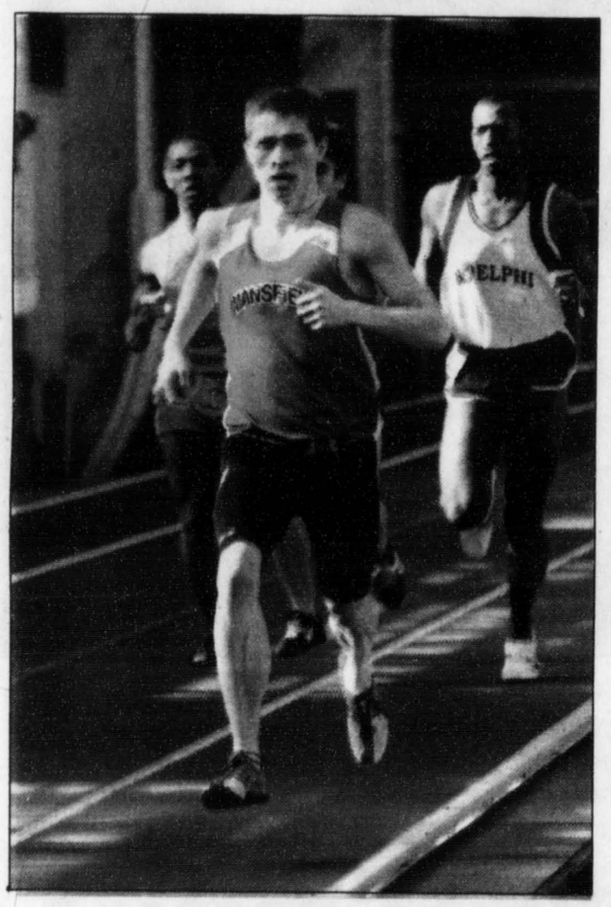

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR

Bryan Morseman ran a personal best time in the 1000 meter this past Saturday. His time of 2:34.84 was good enough for a first place finish.

By KIRK MILLER
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University indoor track and field teams finishes their regular season schedule at the Kent State Last Chance this past weekend, Saturday Feb. 17, at Kent State University in Kent Ohio.

Despite the fact that the meet was primarily a division one event the Mountaineers competitors placed among the leaders in many events.

Junior Brian Morseman won the 1000 meter with a personal best time of 2:34.84. Morseman, who also qualified for the PSAC championships in the mile, 3,000 and 5,000, outlasted 14 other runners for the victory.

Morseman's teammate junior Dave Sanford placed fourth in the 800 with a time of 1:55.54. Sanford currently ranks second in the PSAC in the 800. He is also qualified for PSAC competition in the mile.

Freshman John-Mark Stoltz rounded out the men's impressive performances on the day with a personal best time of 1:26.61 in the 600. Stoltz, who placed sixth in the 600, is also qualified for PSAC competition in the 800 and men's distance medley relay along with teammates Morseman, Sanford and sophomore Bryan Falcone.

On the women's side of the action senior Nicole Dann continued her stretch of impressive finishes with a fifth place in the mile at 5:12.38. Dann will enter the PSAC championships ranked second in the mile and third in the 800. Dann also qualified for the 4x400 relay along with teammates senior Katrina Brumfield, sophomore Marisa Fronczkiewicz and freshman Erica Ferguson.

Brumfield took home a fourth place finish in the high jump, 5'3", at the Kent State meet. She also qualified for the PSAC championships in the high jump and 55 meter hurtles.

Ferguson closed out the day for the women's side with a personal best and PSAC qualifying time of 1:00.88 in the 400 meter.

With the regular season portion of the schedule completed the Mountaineers will travel to East Stroudsburg to compete in the PSAC championships next Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 24-25.

PSAC Championship Qualifiers

Men
Rickey Jones - 55
Dave Sanford - 800, mile, DMR
John-Mark Stoltz - 800, DMR
Mike Gray - Shot Put
Bryan Morseman - Mile, 3,000, 5,000, DMR
Relays - 4x800, DMR

Women
Katrina Brumfield - 55, HJ, 4 X 400
Nicole Dann - 800, mile, 4 X 400, DMR
Amanda Fedish - 55, 200
Erica Ferguson - 400, 4 X 400
Katie Foster - 55 hurdles, TJ, Pentahalon
Marisa Fronczkiewicz - 55, 200, 400, 800, 4 X 400, DMR
Rachel Hall - 800, Mile, 3000, 5000, DMR
Jess Lown - 55 hurdles, Pentathalon
Relays - 4 X 400, 4 X 800, DMR

Coming up in Mountie Sports

Feb. 18	19 Men's Basketball 7 p.m. @ Pitt-Johnstown	20	21	22 Swimming @ Cumberland Valley PSAC Championship	23 Indoor Track @ Field @ East Stroudsburg PSAC Championship Baseball @ Concord 12 noon	24 Women's Basketball 1 p.m. @ Bloomsburg Men's Basketball 3 p.m. @ Bloomsburg Baseball @ Concord 12 noon
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Women crusade for lower student prices

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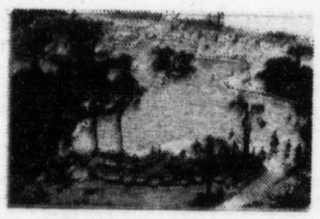

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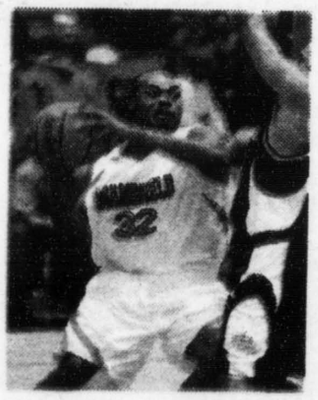

Men's basketball loses heartbreakers

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Today's Weather

Rain/snow Showers

High- 41°F

Overnight Low- 35°F

Information taken from weather.com

Men cook up a storm to benefit Mansfield University scholarships

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Writer

It was the men at the stove and the women who reaped all the benefits at the Corey Creek Country Club last week.

The third annual Men Who Cook night was a huge success for the Women's studies program. Over $2,000 was raised, which is the highest total in the history of the event. The money will be used to give out a $500 scholarship.

Denise Seigart is the former director of the women's studies program. "This was a great turnout, Seigart said. "Every year it gets bigger and bigger."

Fourteen cooks who showed their culinary skills, with entrees ranging from Thai chicken curry to scallion cakes to Mexican corn chowder.

Denny Murray, a professor in the psychology department made a vegetarian minestrone and herb breadsticks and enjoyed something he doesn't get to do that often. "I wanted to support the fundraiser and I had fun doing it. My wife is a professional cook and she inspired me to do this," Murray said. This was Murray's second time cooking for the event and, like most of the other cooks, he plans on participating again.

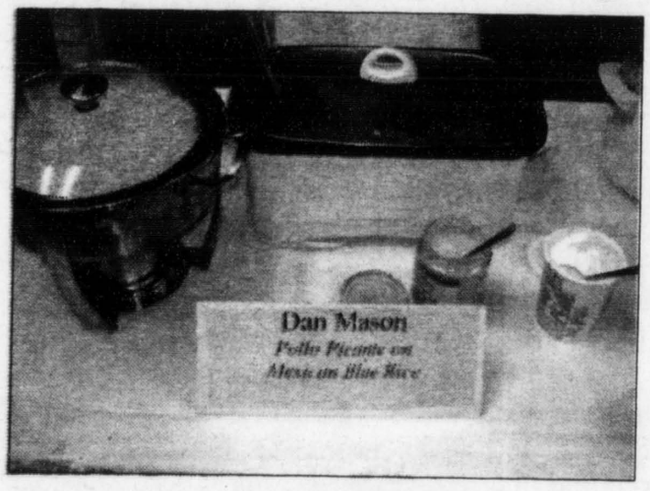

PHOTO BY MICHAEL PAYNE

Journalism professor Dan Mason cooked up a variety of Mexican items for his presentation for the Men Who Cook event.

Joe Maresco is a 30 year employee of Mansfield University and enjoyed giving back to the school. "This is a way to support the school and I enjoy cooking. I have friends in the organization and I have a fun time here," Maresco said.

There was more to do than eat food. Guests could participate in a silent auction. Items being auctioned off included books, DVD sets, gift baskets with body lotion and other items, a painting, purses and a body cast sculpture.

All of the cooks thought the event was a good cause but some of the cooks were there to show off their skills as well. Greg Zagozewski cooked in the event for the second time. "I've been cooking for a long time and this is a great cause, so I wanted to do it again, "Zagozewski said.

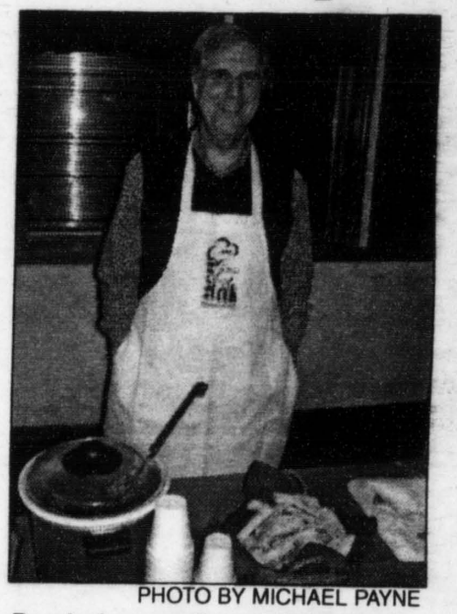

PHOTO BY MICHAEL PAYNE

Psychology professor Dr. J. Dennis Murphy was inspired by his wife, a professional cook.

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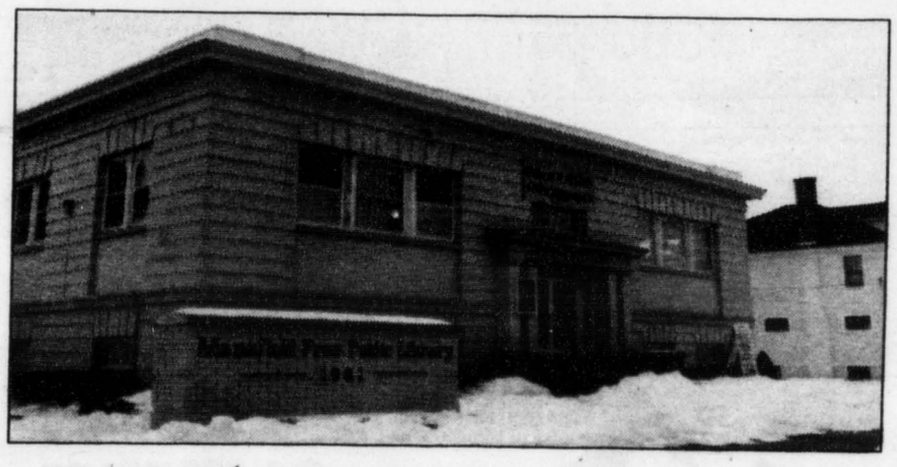
Sigma Tau Gamma helps save 100 year-old Mansfield building

By REBECCA HAZEN
Flashlight Writer

Sigma Tau Gamma, a Mansfield University fraternity, is helping the Mansfield Free Public Library fundraise money for their Bricks and Mortar Project.

Sigma Tau Gamma is an international brotherhood based on the principles of value, learning, leadership, excellence, benefit and integrity. They are the oldest social fraternity still active on campus. They are known for being involved in service projects and campus activities.

The fraternity got involved with the public library through their Books for Kids Foundation. Brian Kolb is the Community Service Director of Sigma Tau Gamma. "We would do it every homecoming. We would get alumni and others to donate books to the library. One year, they were selling books on the same day that we were bringing ours in. We figured that maybe they didn't need books as much as they needed money," Kolb said.



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The Mansfield Public Library is in need of financial aid.

Mary Sirgey, the current librarian of the Mansfield Free Public Library, is grateful for the fraternity's involvement. "One year they collected 500 books for us, and this year, their first donation was five hundred dollars. We are close to our goal of one hundred thousand dollars," Sirgey said.

The library was founded in 1901 by the Mansfield Board of Education. The library opened in a former Law Office Building on North Main Street on Feb. 7, 1902. Becoming larger throughout the years, the library moved its headquarters once and then once again to its current location on Feb. 1, 1911.

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Weekly Weather

TODAY

Rain/Snow showers

High: 41 Low: 35

FRIDAY

Rain Showers

High:43 Low:26

SATURDAY

Snow Showers

High: 38 Low:23

SUNDAY

Snow Showers

High: 33 Low: 21

MONDAY

Snow Showers

High:31 Low: 16

TUESDAY

Snow Showers

High: 26 Low: 20

WEDNESDAY

Snow Showers

High: 38 Low:25

Information taken from www.weather.com

Mansfield University string students to perform with orchestra

The Mansfield University student Chapter of American String Teachers Association (ASTA) will present an exciting concert at 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 4 in Steadman Theatre as the result of a new project coming to fruition.

Often talented string players study their instrument for four years (including a repertory of concertos) and graduate without having the opportunity to perform a concerto with orchestra as intended. The closest they come is to play with a pianist accompanying on a part reduced from the orchestra.

Last year, the chapter ordered music to accompany concertos for all string instruments – violin, viola, cello and bass. Each student chose a concerto movement to perform with an orchestra made up of the string students themselves. Each student will perform individually on this concert. Concertos by Vivaldi, Bach, Capuzzi, Telemann and Hindemith will be featured and conducted by Mansfield University String Professor and Orchestra conductor, Dr. Kenneth Sarch.

Students who will perform include violinists Joris Decolvenaer (Belgium), Tami Heyler (PA), Emily Ressler (PA), Aaron Riep (PA), Christine Attanasio (PA), Stephanie Swart (NY), Brittany Bovard (PA), Laura Orshaw (PA), Beth Gallup (PA), Laura Macumber, (NY) – Violists Rich Basler (NY), Pamela Wells (NY), Aaron Gooding (PA) – Cellists Amy Kesslick (PA), Garet Holdren (PA), Sherilynn Stage (NY), Jessica Lown (PA), Matt Owen (PA) and Bassists Michael Pattillo (PA), Herbert Estus (PA), Kara Edinger (PA), and Tiara Gagliano (PA).

The student chapter of ASTA exists to promote excellence in string playing and teaching. With funds raised, the students devise projects that promote string playing and trips to hear concerts and exchanges among string students in schools throughout the state. Come on out to hear this special event on Sunday, March 4 at 7 p.m. in Steadman Theatre.

The Public is enthusiastically invited. Admission is free – A donation is requested for those who would like to support the string projects of the Mansfield University student chapter of American String Teachers Association (ASTA).

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Commuter students petition Wal-Mart

By ISAAC PRAGLE
Advertising Manager

Dawn Kiselyk, Lisa Quinn and Peggy Bennett, three commuter students from Mansfield University have taken on the task of petitioning Wal-Mart to give students a discount.

The project began when Kiselyk was checking out last August and asked if the store gave a student discount. When she was told no, she was surprised to get such a response. After getting home she thought about the matter some more. "If a small place like Arby's can give a discount, why can't a chain like Wal-Mart do the same?" Kiselyk said. After further investigations Kiselyk found that Wal-Mart does not offer a student discount because they already have such low prices.

The idea of a petition really got under way when the ladies began asking around campus how much students spend at Wal-Mart. The numbers were averaging around $1,500 in food, toiletries, supplies, and gas.

Barry Hughes, a freshman student goes to Wal-Mart several times a week. "On average I spend around $25 a trip" said Hughes which can add up rather quickly.

The petition, which now has just under 1,000 signatures, has gone from the local store, to the district office in Wellsboro, and all the way to Arkansas where Wal-Mart headquarters is located. A high ranking official with the company after hearing about the petition is looking into getting a discount put in place for students and a meeting has been arranged at the district office in the coming week.

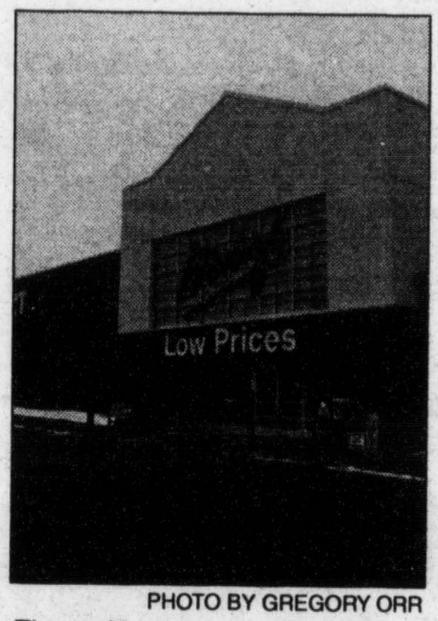

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
The petition has reeached Wal-Mart's main office in Arkansas.

According to Kiselyk, student response has been strong for the petition " Who wouldn't want to save some money," said Kiselyk, but getting their message out has proved to be rather difficult on campus since they are commuter students.

Many students when questioned about the matter did not even know a petition was being circulated and some of them had no strong opinion about the issue. "I think it would be nice but I don't think they should be expected to," said Hughes.

A response is expected from the Arkansas office sometime in early March as to what to do about the situation.

Kiselyk will be in lower Manser Dinning Hall on Thursday afternoon from 1:40-2:30 to collect more signatures for their cause and answer any questions students may have.

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Students, faculty and staff celebrate Hoodie Hoo Day

By LAURA HALL
Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University students, faculty and staff raised their hands in the air at Noon on Feb. 20 to welcome spring in a Hoodie Hoo Day celebration.

Hoodie Hoo Day began over 12 years ago in Gold, Pennsylvania. Betty Tomack and Tammy McConaghay were looking through a pig enthusiast calendar and discovered that Feb. 20 was labeled Hoodie Hoo Day. The two decided to gather as a community on that day and yell "Hoodie Hoo!"

Since its beginning, Hoodie Hoo Day has been held at the Gold Store. At Noon everyone yells "Hoodie Hoo with hopes that this will bring about a bright and beautiful spring as soon as possible."

Upon seeing an article about Hoodie Hoo Day in Mountain Home Magazine, Professor of Education and Special Education Dr. Nanci Werner-Burke told graduate assistants Ann Gotschal and Nina Lucero about the event. Gotschal and Lucero took it from there and began to plan Mansfield's first Hoodie Hoo Day celebration. They thought the idea of having a Hoodie Hoo Day celebration sounded like fun and "would be a good morale booster," Gotschal and Lucero said. They put up flyers announcing the celebration, made banners, got noise makers. They even appointed a queen, Dr. Michele Moore, Professor of Special Education, who led the Hoodie Hoo Day festivities.

PHOTO FROM MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY PUBLIC RELATIONS
Mansfield Universitty students and staff gathered to ward off the winter weather by "hoodie-hoo-ing" outside of Retan Center.

The Hoodie Hoo celebration was held outside Retan Center and was made up of mostly students, faculty and staff from the Education Department. The location was chosen, Gotschal said, "because it was convenient and easy for professors to bring their classes to." Gotschal also said that professors from other departments took their classes outside their own buildings and yelled "Hoodie Hoo."

When asked if they thought their celebration was going to work Gotschal and Lucero said that it already did its job of raising morale. They have received positive emails from students and residents of Gold Township saying that they were pleased Mansfield University was keeping the tradition alive.

As for the weather aspect of it Gotschal believes it will work. "If people believe in a groundhog," Gotschal said, "they should believe in this too."

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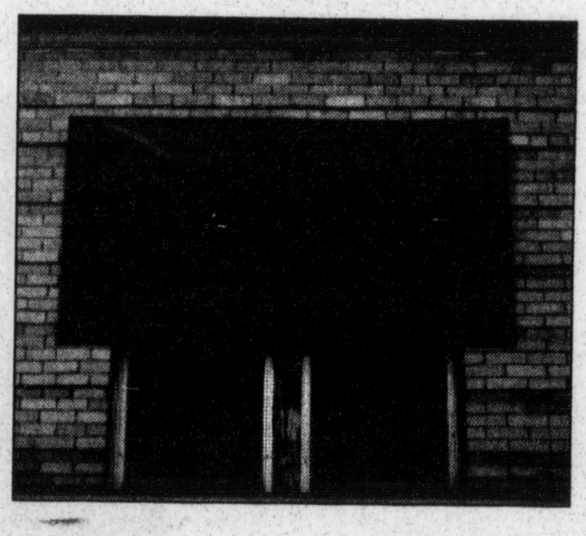
'BUILDING'

According to the Mansfield's Free Public Library website, "Preservation of this building is of paramount importance to the community and its heritage. A structurally sound and energy efficient building is the foundation from which the library is able to provide the many services it offers the community. The Bricks and Mortar Project will enable the library to address immediate property concerns and ongoing maintenance of the building."



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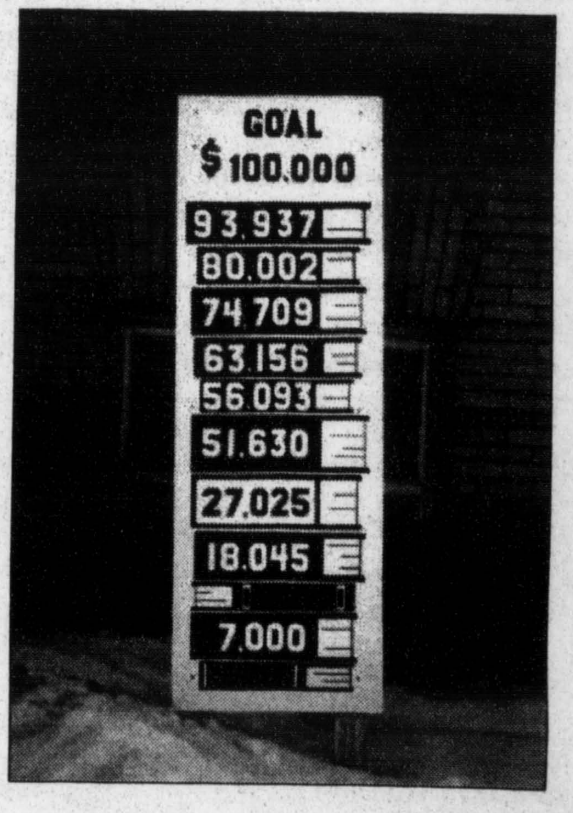
The Mansfield Public Library on North Main Street is being supported through fundraising by members of the Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity.



The windows, masonry restoration and the front doors are to be addressed in the project. The windows are to be restored to their original condition. The brickwork will be repaired and thoroughly washed. The entry doors will be replaced for better operation and will include energy features.

Sigma Tau Gamma has been collecting money for the Bricks and Mortar project by placing change jars in businesses in town. Some of the big supporters have been Mark's Brothers Restaurant, Papa V's and Greco's Market. "We go around and collect the money about once a week," Kolb said.

Kolb believes that helping the library out is an important cause. "It is there for the community, for everyone to enjoy," Kolb said.

Mansfield brings"Beauty and the Beast" to life

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR

By REBEKAH BROWN
Special to the Flashlight

Mansfield University's Departments of Theatre and Music brought Disney's Beauty and the Beast to the stage of Straughn Auditorium last weekend.

The play featured music by Alan Menken and lyrics by Howard Ashman and Tim Rice. Sheryl Monkelien conducted the orchestra, and Youngsuk Kim was the vocal coach of the cast. Beauty and the Beast had showing times from Thursday, Feb. 22 until Sunday, Feb. 25.

The cast was comprised of a total of 60 students and community members. An additional 40 people made up the stage crew, lights crew, etc.

Senior music major Sarah Best played the part of Belle and choreographed the dance numbers with Lauren Mirt and Amanda Sherry. "There were a lot of people involved helping during the show, whether it be making props, making the set, advertising, or anything else. It was awesome to see that the community can be so involved in a production of this size."

Director Michael Crum was pleased with the final product that resulted from only four weeks of rehearsal. "The biggest expectation is the grandeur and size. Every aspect of the show is at least two shows," Crum said.

The large-scale play included work done by professional artists and specialty painters, which added to the effect.

Carlyn Spangler a freshman at Mansfield University, was a member of the audience. "The scenery was beautiful. I found myself getting caught up in the magic, especially during "Be Our Guest" when there were plates and silverware marching down the aisles," Spangler said.

The cast members were also happy with the outcome of their work. "Getting an emotional response makes you want to do better," Best said, "You can't ask for more when you get a crowd that is so receptive."

"I thought the characters were hilarious and fit their parts perfectly. It was really funny and creative," Spangler said.

When asked what part of the night was most rewarding, Crum said, "Tonight. A crowd like this and a number like "Be Our Guest" where they're all just screaming, that's the best."

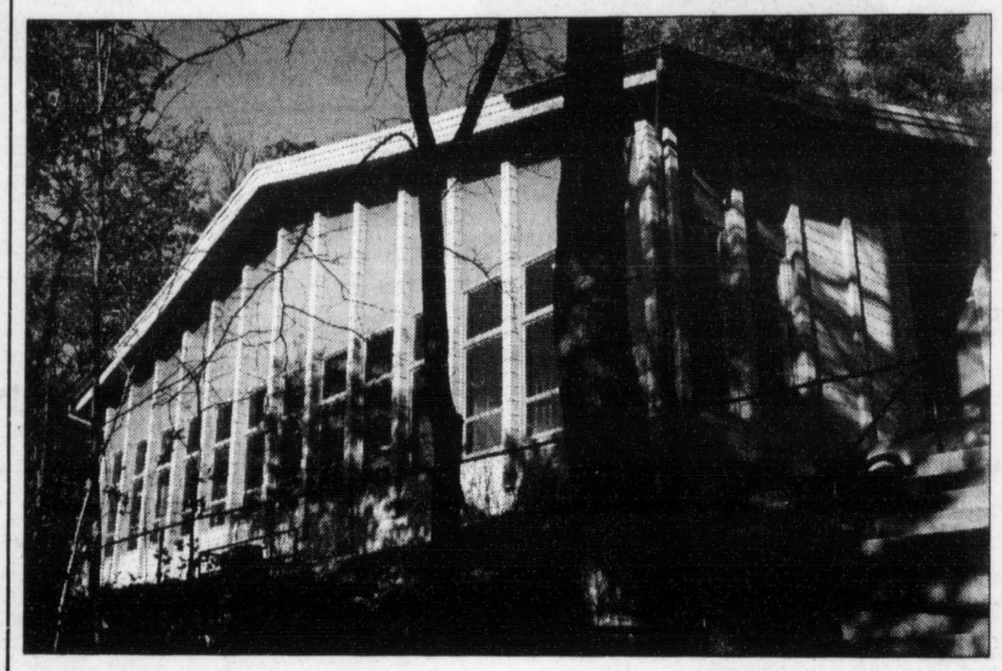
Fresh ideas, extended hours and new manangement coming to Hut

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Writer

The Hut, also known as Zanzibar, will be available for use whenever organizations want to use the facility.

Jim Harrington is the director of student life and leadership development and also created the safety regulations with the police and the President, Maravene Loeschke's, approval.

Harrington used ideas from other Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) schools to figure out how regulations were there.



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The Hut, largely unused since a fight broke out in October, is gaining more usage under the new direction of director of student life Jim Harrington.

"Other schools are less lenient, there is police attendance and the police are paid out of the organizations budget," Harrington said.

Mansfield University's safety regulations do not require police presence, but the police do need to be notified a week before the event.

Supervision is needed, though. According to the regulations for Zanzibar, "a student manager must be present for every 50 occupants." Also, a faculty/staff advisor must be at the event.

"There are no restrictions on what can be played or what activities go on," Harrington said.

Right now the boxing club, fraternities and sororities use The Hut. If other organizations want to use the space, then an application must be filled out and reviewed by the Student Life and Leadership Office.

There was a rumor that the Student Government Association is aiming to take control of the Hut. If SGA would take control of the Hut, Harrington says the regulations and hours of operation would not change.

Robyn Travisano is the vice president of SGA. "We want to reopen the Hut because we know what students want," Travisano said.

SGA formed a committee to work at getting the Hut operational again. There were some ideas discussed, such as turning the bar in the Hut to a juice bar and getting new pool equipment.

SGA wants to work with the administration to move the hours of operation. "We would like to make compromises with the administration to move the hours back on special occasions to give the option to students like before," Travisano said.

Regulations were placed on Zanzibar after an altercation broke out at last semester's homecoming celebration. Zanzibar was closed for a month before reopening.

Even though the fight occurred during homecoming and caused the Hut to close, the homecoming celebration will not be affected next year. Harrington hopes that there can be simultaneous events happening to celebrate homecoming rather than "cramming everyone into one corner."

Harrington hopes that organizations will take advantage of Alumni Hall Student Center as well as the Hut. "I would like to see more programming in AHUB because it's a safer part of campus," Harrington said.

'COOK'

Journalism professor Dan Mason enjoyed cooking for the people. "I love to cook and I wanted to show what I can do. The event is a neat idea and I want to cook every year they have it," Mason said.

Jim Harrington also enjoyed cooking for the event. "I have been cooking ever since college and I enjoy cooking and this is such a worthwhile cause," Harrington said.

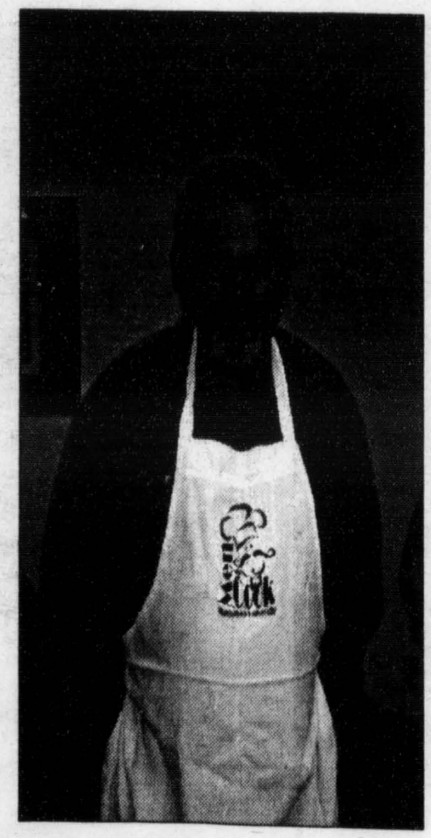
Mason made pollo picante on Mexican blue rice while Harrington made beef burgundy stew.

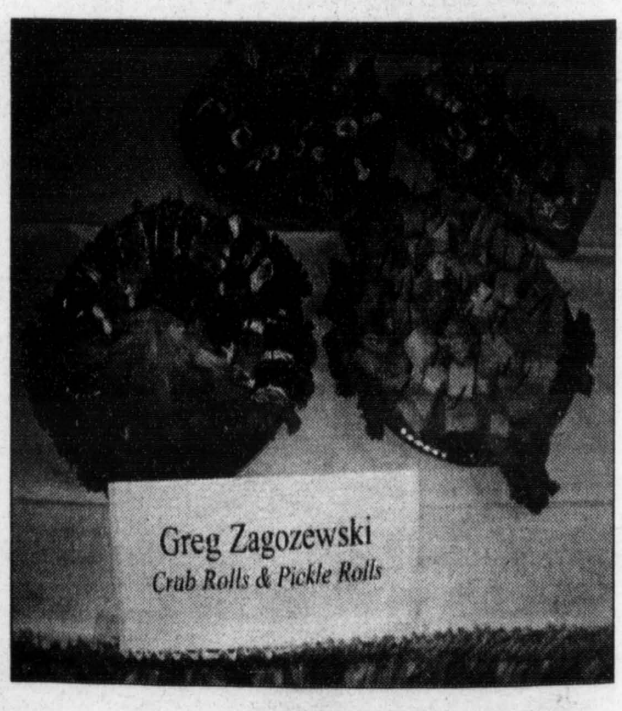
Bill Collins is the food and beverage manager at the Corey Creek Country club and was happy to be a part of the event. "It's for a good cause and it brings people out to the club that don't normally come out here and I get to meet new people," Collins said. Collins made the dessert for the night, making white chocolate moose with a raspberry sauce and later coming out with plates of brownies.

Judith Sornberger, who is the current director of the women studies program was happy with the student turn out and wants them to be even more involved. "I want the students to be a part of this, it's really for them," Sornberger said.

Some of the Mansfield University faculty sponsored their own students to attend the event.

The night was capped off with the announcing of the winners of the silent auction. The body cast went for the highest bid at over $200





PHOTOS BY MICHAEL PAYNE

LEFT: Biology professor Dick Soderbergh was a participant in Men Who Cook.
ABOVE: Greg Zagozewski's crab and pickle

Mansfield University Events Calendar

Thursday, Mar. 1

Event: 4:00 p.m. 307 AHSC Volgograd Exchange Program informational meeting
Are you interested in going to Russia fall 2007?
Free and open to the public.
Refreshments provided.

Friday, Mar. 2

Music: Jessica Muraca, senior voice recital- 8 p.m., Steadman Theatre

Saturday, Mar. 3

Music: Symphonic Band Concert- 3 p.m., Steadman Theatre

Music: Darris DeRemer and Maureen LaRussa, Junior Voice Recital- 7 p.m., Steadman Theatre

Sunday, Mar. 4

Music: Matt Barry and Ben Rochford, junior trumpet recital- 3 p.m. Steadman Theatre

Music: Anthony D'Agostino- Senior Piano recital- 5 p.m., Steadman Theatre

Music: ASTA String Soloists Concert- 7 p.m., Steadman Theatre

Monday, Mar. 5

Music: SAI and Phi Mu Alpha Benefit Concert- 7 p.m., Steadman Theatre

Tuesday, Mar. 6

Event: Middle States Open Meeting in Room 317- 1 p.m., Alumni Hall Student Center

Wednesday, Mar. 7

Event: Faculty Lecture Series Event: Film: Land of Plenty, Land of Want. From the PBS Journey to Planet Earth series. Professor Nicole Wilson, Academic & Human Development. 5-7 p.m., Allen Hall Auditorium.

What in the World News in a Flash

By ANDREW OSTROSKI
Flashlight News Co-Editor

WORLD NEWS

BELGRADE, Serbia- The nation of Serbia was acquitted from charges of genocide of Muslims in the Srebenica region of Bosnia in 1995. However, the International Court at The Hague in The Netherlands did not completely exonerate the Balkan nation of all wrongdoing. 8,000 Bosnian-Muslim males were slaughtered by Bosnian-Serb soldiers in Srebenica. The nation of Serbia had long been accused by neighboring Bosnia for the murders, however the courts agreed that the genocide was committed by Bosnian-Serb troops, and that Serbia was not at fault. Bosnia and Serbia raged in a war between 1992 and 1995 that claimed the lives of over 100,000 people. While Serbia was cleared of the most grievous charges, it was still stated by the World Court that this act could not have been committed without money and supplies from the Serbian government that were given to the Bosnian-Serbs. It is hoped that the ruling will help reconciliation between the two Balkan nations.

LONDON, England- Protestors took to the streets of London to speak out against Prime Minister Tony Blair's plans for the future of the United Kingdom's involvement in Iraq. While Blair's plan calls for the gradual withdraw of British troops from Iraq before the end of the year, activists in London demanded the removal of all troops on a faster timetable. The protest was organized by Britain's Stop The War Coalition. Protestors also spoke out against the potential for Great Britain to renew its fleet of nuclear ballistic missile submarines which Blair has also expressed his desire to do. The possibility for American and British action against Iran was also protested. A similar protest to the one in London was held in Glasgow, Scotland to voice the same concerns. Great Britain wants to lower its troop amounts in Iraq from 7,100 to 5,000 before the end of summer.

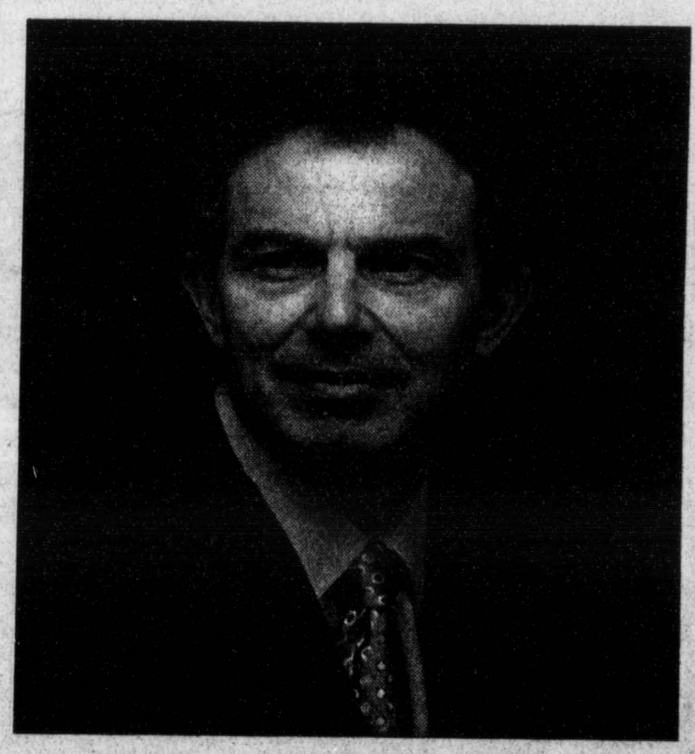


PHOTO FROM BBSNEWS.COM
British Prime Minister Tony Blair is under fire for his policies in Iraq and on the homefront.

WADI ANKA, Sudan- Rival rebel faction leaders gathered in Sudan to discuss a deal to unify at a secret location in hopes of conducting peace talks with the Sudanese government to end the humanitarian crisis in Darfur. 200,000 people have been killed in Darfur since 2003. The Sudanese government in the past has attempted to break up any talks of unity amongst tribal and rebel leaders by bombing the meetings that they have been able to find. Leaders of the Sudanese Liberation Army, the faction opposing the current Sudanese government, are requesting that the United Nations mediate any peace talks that may occur, and that U.N. forces occupy the embattled region. Attacks on the rebels have increased in the past months, making giving humanitarian aid in the region even more difficult. A peacekeeping group from the African Union has been unable to enforce a peace agreement that was signed last year in Khartoum.

NEW YORK, New York- Genealogy tracing has determined that ancestors of Rev. Al Sharpton were owned by the ancestors of Strom Thurmond, the late segregationist senator from South Carolina. A team of genealogists determined Coleman Sharpton, the great-grandfather of Al Sharpton, was owned by Julia Thurmond, the granddaughter of the late senator's great-great-grandfather. Since learning of the link, Sharpton has asked for DNA testing to learn if there is a genetic link between himself and Thurmond. The possibility for a link between the two families is said to be slim. Thurmond died in 2003 at the age of 100, and was once considered as the face of segregated America.

LOCAL NEWS

LYCOMING TWP., Pennsylvania- The whereabouts of a Lycoming township man are unknown after his cabin was found burned to the ground over the weekend. Michael P. Fink, 58, was listed as missing with Lycoming County police officials after his remains were not discovered in the remains of his smoldering cabin. Searchers scoured the woods in off-road vehicles over the weekend, but were unable to find Fink before snowstorms rolled in later in the weekend. A Pennsylvania State Police fire marshal was unable to immediately determine the cause of the fire at the secluded cabin. The South Williamsport Police Department assisted the investigation on the ground, and the Pennsylvania State Police provided air support in the search for Fink.

ELMIRA, New York- A five-year-old girl who was struck in the head by a package of frozen meat is out of the hospital. The girl, who was not identified by police, was the victim of a domestic assault. The girl's mother was involved in an argument with her boyfriend at a residence on West Church Street in Elmira last week when the boyfriend became angered and hurled a chunk of frozen meat. The meat struck the young girl in the head. According to the Chemung County District Attorney's Office, the injuries to the girl were so severe that she needed to have brain surgery. The boyfriend, Kenneth Groves, apologized for the act as he was leaving court on Tuesday. The little girl is at home and is reportedly doing fine.

All information taken from cnn.com and wetmtv.com

New web site launched exclusively for college students

CollegeHotList.com, the most comprehensive, innovative social networking site designed exclusively "for college students by college students," officially launched on Feb. 26.

The website has been customized to allow its members to stay informed about local campus life, socialize with other students, create "HotLists" to rate everything from their favorite places and photos to videos and products, and even plan social gatherings through a specialized forum tailored exclusively for college students.

CollegeHotList.com offers its users a bevy of interactive features such as photo sharing, news feeds, invitations, calendar organization and text messaging applications. Overall, the site's distinctive "HotList" feature acts as a valuable resource for today's busy college student.

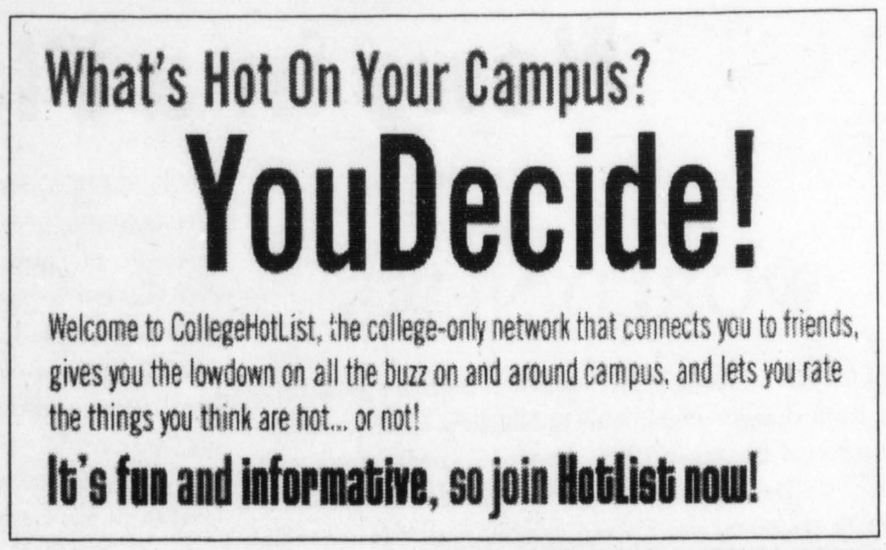


PHOTO FROM WWW.COLLEGEHOTLIST.COM

CollegeHotList.com was made for college students, by college students. It allows users to upload an unlimited amount of photos on thier profile. It has also banned professors from joining.

Through "HotLists," users are able to do everything from finding out the best places to hang out to deciding which products they should buy, based on feedback from fellow classmates. In addition, the site promotes further expression and debate on the "hot" college topics of the day with its issue specific forums, chat rooms, message boards and interest groups.

The site also boasts an array of other innovative features enabling college students to stay connected, including its ever so popular "HotMatch" feature, which automatically pairs students with similar photo ratings and mutual interests, and its personalized "flirts," which allow students to forward each other not only winks, but also hugs, kisses and whistles. Also, the site has implemented a cutting-edge feature that enables college students to locate their school's "hottest" event on any given day or night.

The site provides students with the most user-friendly internet technology tools to share photos and videos, upload music, join chat rooms and even create their own customized blog entries to express their personalities.

"We've set out to create the most usable social networking site tailored exclusively for college students, and are excited to be unveiling this dynamic site to our generation," says Gianni Martire, CollegeHotList.com co-founder. "There has never before been such a forum to help college students get the most out of their college experience...until now."

So, with CollegeHotList.com, not only do college students have the ability to discuss and share the latest trends and happenings at their college and rate their favorite hangouts and products, but also make new friends by finding common ground with other college students across the country.

Membership for the site is free, but unlike similar sites, it is restricted to college students only, to provide students with a safe, secure and private social networking experience.

New study finds vanity rising among college students

By DAN RYAN
Flashlight Writer

In Greek Mythology, Narcissus fell in love with himself after he saw his reflection in a pond. He eventually neglected everything else in his own life and he wasted away. The results of a recent study suggest that colleges across the country are filling up with modern versions of this mythological character.

The study, formally titled the "Narcissistic Personality Inventory," was conducted by Professor Jean Twenge of San Diego State University and found that vanity among college students has risen to problematic levels. Spanning from 1982 until 2006, the study examined the responses of over 16,000 college students on a nationwide level.

The questions asked students how they viewed themselves by having them to respond to statements such as, "If I ruled the world, it would be a better place," "I think I am a special person," and "I can live my life any way I want to." After evaluating the responses, Professor Twenge found that since 1982, the number of responders who reported above average feelings about themselves had risen to two thirds of the participants, a 30 percent rise in the time of the study.

Feeling good about oneself might be better than responding "I am not special," but the dramatic spike in vanity scares W. Keith Campbell of the University of Georgia who feels that personal relationships may receive the most significant damage. "Unfortunately, narcissism can also have very negative consequences for society, including the breakdown of close relationships with others," Campbell said.

The study claims that narcissists tend to have romantic relationships that fizzle out very quickly. The relationships themselves have been known to suffer from infidelity problems, lack of emotional connection, dishonesty and possibly even violent actions. Twenge adds that these actions are the traits of a typical narcissist. "Narcissists tend to lack empathy, react aggressively to criticism and favor self-promotion over helping others," Twenge said.

The cause of this generation of enormous egos is not known for sure, but some feel that it is the result of loose parenting and the "self esteem movement" in the 1980's. Twenge cites a common preschool song with the words, "I am special, I am special. Look at me." One doesn't have to go far to find possible causes at the young adult level, a simple glance into the technology field offers a clue. The most popular websites on the internet are attention-seekers with titles such as MySpace and YouTube.

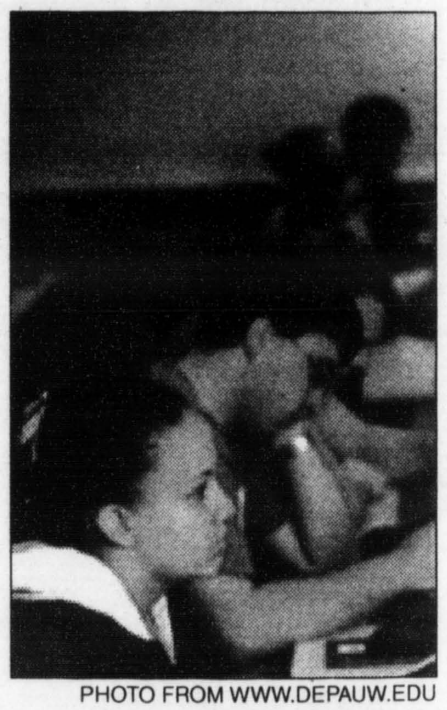


PHOTO FROM WWW.DEPAUW.EDU

A new study by Professor Jean Twenge of San Diego State found that vanity among college students has risen to problematic levels.

Dane Denmon, 19, sophomore biology major at Mansfield University doesn't see Narcissism to be a problem with today's generation. "If you are in love with yourself, then you are in love with yourself. As long as you are happy then it is ok. Even if it is a bad thing to be a narcissist, I don't think many people at Mansfield are Narcissists," Denmon said.

Only time will tell if the increase in vanity found in the study will impact the future for better or for worse. It is a good thing you read this article. It is by far the best one in "The Flashlight" this week.

Information from www.cnn.com

Student Leader Wanted

The Mansfield University Council of Trustees is currently searching for a new student member. Be involved with a dynamic group of individuals who influence policy and procedures at Mansfield University.

This position is open to undergraduate students who are first semester sophomores to second semester juniors. Applications are available at the circulation desk of North Hall Library. Completed applications must be returned to the circulation desk of North Hall Library no later then Monday, March 19th at 3:00pm.

To find out more about the Council of Trustees and what this exciting position entails either email the current student member, Rebecca Stender at stenderr@mounties.mansfield.edu or visit http://www.mansfield.edu/president/trustees.htm

New web site shows you that being popular on line is easier than ever, for a small monthly fee

By JOE SEROSKI
Flashlight Features Co-Editor

It's everybody's dream, starting in elementary school and extending in to college. It can make and break who you are in high school and can make you feel better about yourself. It's the dream of popularity.

Something that is not always easy to attain and is mostly measured by how many friends you have, popularity is becoming easier to grab because of social networking websites. Sites like Myspace and Facebook show users viewing your profile how many friends you have and who they are. But what if you don't have many friends?

Have no fear, a new website is coming to your rescue. Fakeyourspace.com allows users to purchase friends. That's right, you can buy your online friends. It's not a bad idea if you want to make your ex-boyfriend or girlfriend jealous, or you want to impress women and men. Or maybe you just want to look cool.

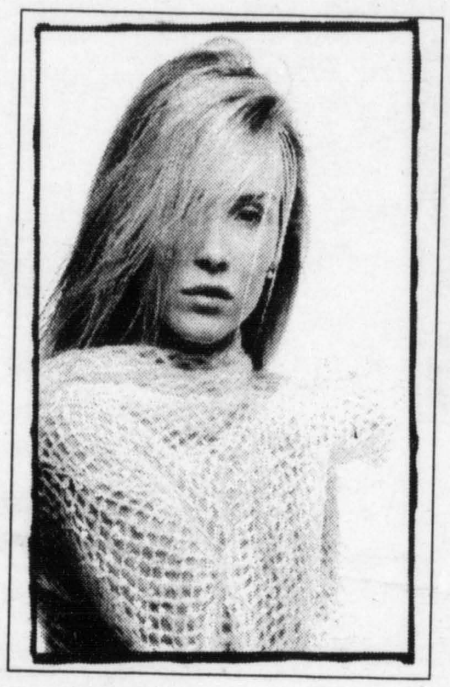
For a small price of 99 cents a month, you can buy a friend to be added to your profile. He or she will show up as a regular person in your friends list. Their profile will be private so no one can look at it, and they won't discover your newly found gorgeous friend is fake. The package comes with two messages per week for four weeks. Or, if you pay an extra 99 cents you can double that. There's no limit to how many friends you can buy, as long as you can afford them.

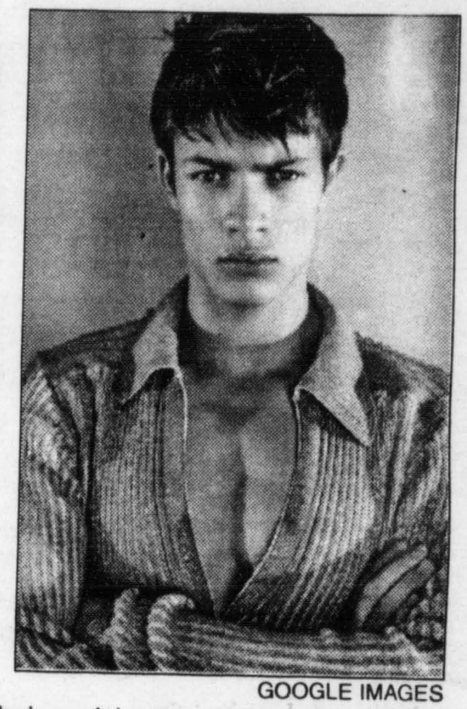
The "friends" are attractive male and female models with pictures. The buyer can customize what they want the model to comment on their profile. For instance, you can make the model personally flirt with you, say friendly friend messages and make the model act as your lover.

The site was doing well, receiving 50,000 hits a day until a service that provided the model photographs, iStockPhoto.com, discovered the use and was displeased with it. According to iStockPhoto.com's vice president for marketing, the site's licensing agreement did not allow Web sites to post photos that could convey the idea that the model endorses the product, site or service. When iStockPhoto's network of photographers discoverd FakeYourSpace was using the models' photos, they reported it to iStockPhoto. The company then asked Brant Walker, owner of FakeYourSpace, to stop using the photos, which he did.

Walker is now looking for models through agency and online auditions to take the place of the old models.

Walker came up with the idea for FakeYourSpace after viewing profiles on Myspace and noticing that some people had attractive friends and others did not. His idea then was "to turn cyberlosers into social-networking magnets" through the use of fake comments from good-looking people.





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FakeYourSpace.com is a new site where a user can buy friends to add to their social-networking profile for 99 cents a month.

It doesn't stop there. Web sites like MobileAlibi.com and Popularity.com offer similar services to FakeYourSpace by offering fake cellphone calls to give the person an excuse to escape an awkward situation, such as a horrible date, or to make the person look busy and popular.

Walker's other company, a website called BreakYourSpace.com removes unwanted friends on a profile through a third-party messenger. Both of his sites are currently legal, providing they post content that is legitimately licensed.

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Movie Review: "Breach" is filled with suspense but lacks action

By JOE SEROSKI
Flashlight Features Co-Editor

Chris Cooper's performance in "Breach" was the only thing that made this movie worth watching from start to finish.

"Breach" is based on a true story about FBI upstart Eric O'Neill, who gets assigned to the task of monitoring his new boss, Robert Hannsen. On the surface Hannsen seems like a true gentlemen, however, O'Neill gets a closer look and realizes he is not the perfect person he seems to be. Hannsen was an FBI agent who was convicted of selling secrets to the Soviet Union. As Agent Kate Burroughs, played by Laura Linney, put it, "It was the greatest breach of security in United States history." Hannsen pled guilty to several counts of espionage and was sentenced to life in prison.

Ryan Phillipe's performance in "Breach" was boring and unimpressive. Phillipe did nothing to show off his acting ability. His character, Ryan O'Neill, was somewhat intersting. The only thing he is interested in is making Agent in the FBI. The viewer gets a good look into O'Neill's life and gets to see what is important to him and what his values are.

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"Breach" is based on the true story of FBI upstart Eric O'Neill and his assistance in the conviction of his boss, convicted spy Robert Hannsen.

On the other hand, Chris Cooper played the character of Robert Hannsen perfectly. You could tell he really got to know who the character was and what he was like. Cooper showed you how demented and intelligent Hannsen was.

Action is not rampant in "Breach", but director Billy Ray does a good job of filling the movie with suspense. The whole time you watch the movie you are wondering what is going to happen next. The movie brings a lot of surprises in the plot line but nothing that will stand out. I feel adding more action to the movie would have made it a lot better.

Overall, I would rate the movie a 6 out of 10. It's not a terrible film and the subject material is interesting. I just feel the filmmakers could have done a lot more with the characters and the movie could have been a lot more exciting.

Spring Break: Most popular spot

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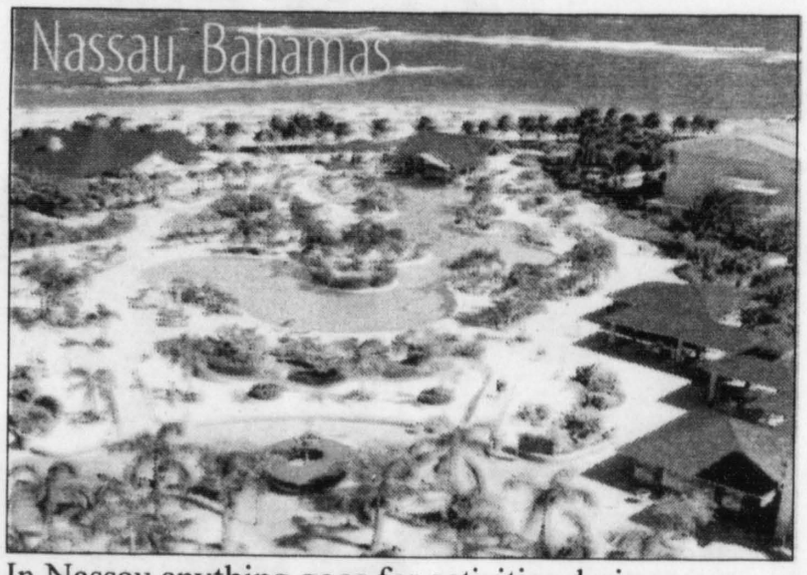


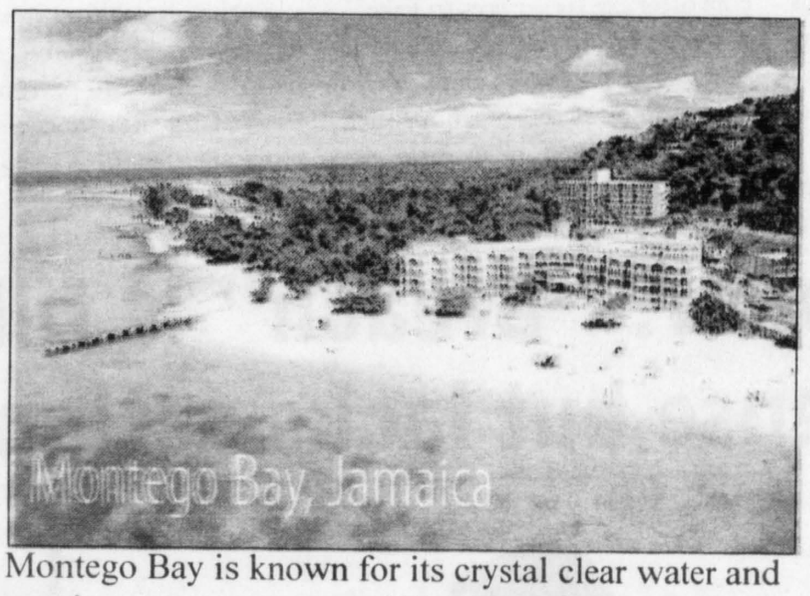
In Nassau anything goes for activities during your vacation. Nassau is known for its thousands of dedicated Spring Break vacationers spending their time soaking up the Bahamian sun, swimming with dolphins or hitting the casinos. Nassau is referred to as "Paradise."

Tips For a Safe Vacation

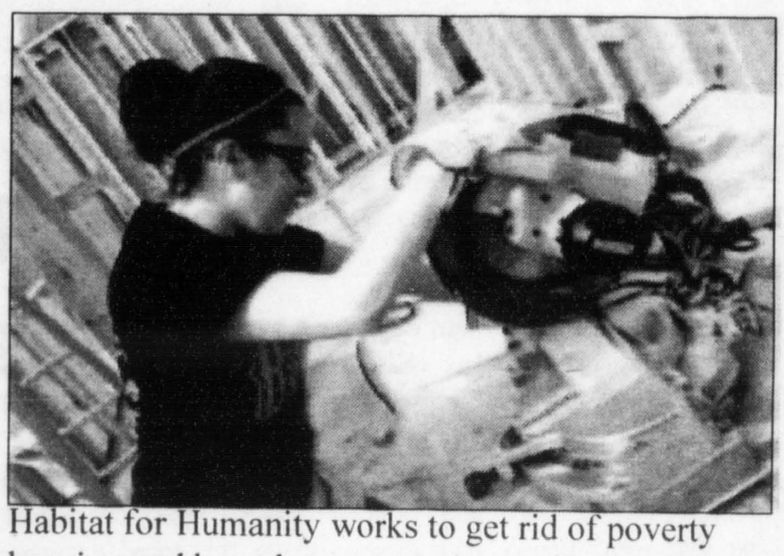
* Bring Sunscreen with an SPF of at least 15.

* Always Bring a Travel-size first aid kit- never know when you might get a cut or need an adhesive bandage.

* Condoms – always practice safe sex



Montego Bay is known for its crystal clear water and consistent temperatures of 78 to 84 degreees Fahrenheit. It has become one of the most popular Spring Break destinations in Jamaica.



Habitat for Humanity works to get rid of poverty housing and homelessness, and to make simple, decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. HFH's Collegiate Challenge gives students the opportunity to build a house during Spring Break.

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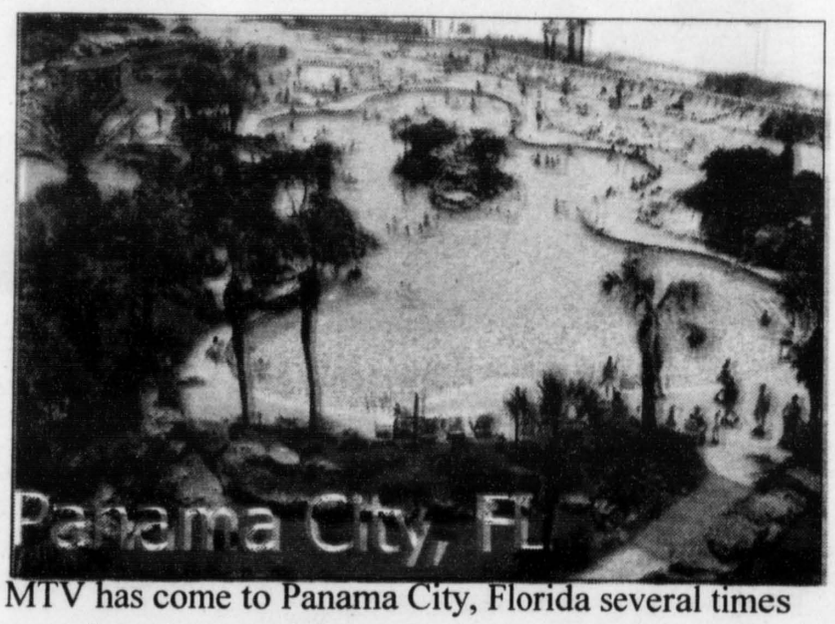
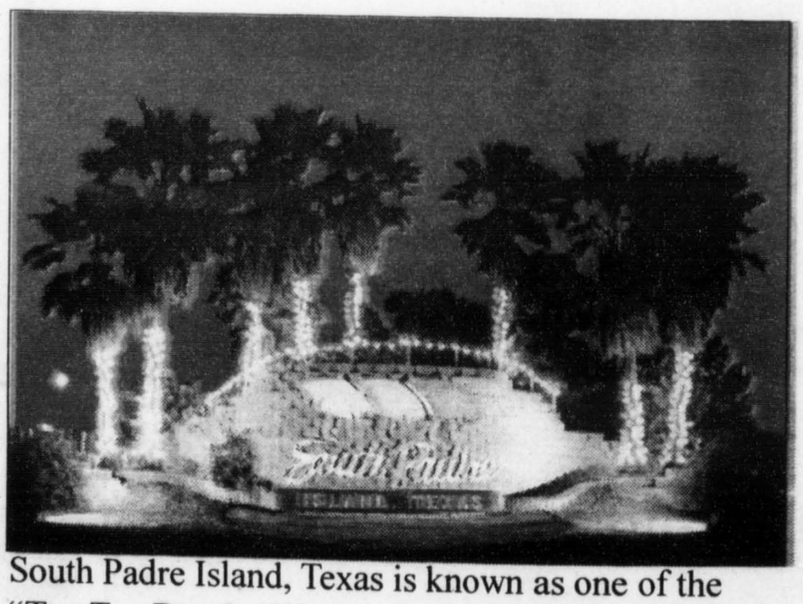


MTV has come to Panama City, Florida several times over the years to celebrate Spring Break with college students. It has over 27 miles of white beaches on the Florida Gulf Coast.



South Padre Island, Texas is known as one of the "Top Ten Beaches" in the world. It is another hot Spring Break spot for college students and is only 30 minutes away from Mexico.

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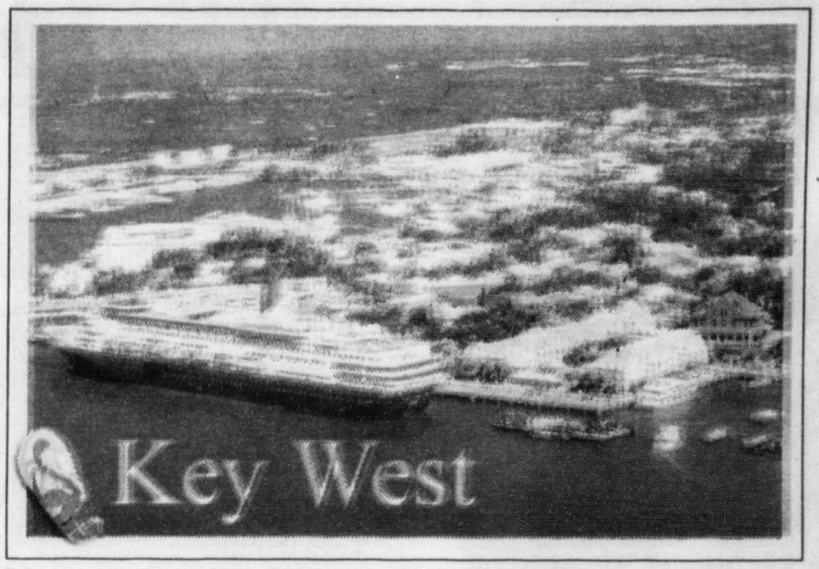
Spring Break Facts

* 97 percent of college students drink during Spring Break

* Nearly three out of five women had unprotected sex during Spring Break

* More than 1 million cases of skin cancer are diagnosed each year, with 90 percent of all skin cancers caused by sun exposure



If you're looking for an out of the ordinary Spring Break experience, Key West may be the destination to choose. Key West is America's only Carribbean island. The Gulf water in Key West remains a warm temperature year round, with no sudden cold fronts.

Break Away is a program whose mission is to train, assist and connect campuses and communities. The alternative breaks Break Away offers include tutoring migrant farmworkers in Florida, working with the homeless in Washington, D.C. and many others.

Acapulco's beaches of golden sand make it a popular destination as well as its legendary nightlife that sets it apart from any other Spring Break destination in the Caribbean.

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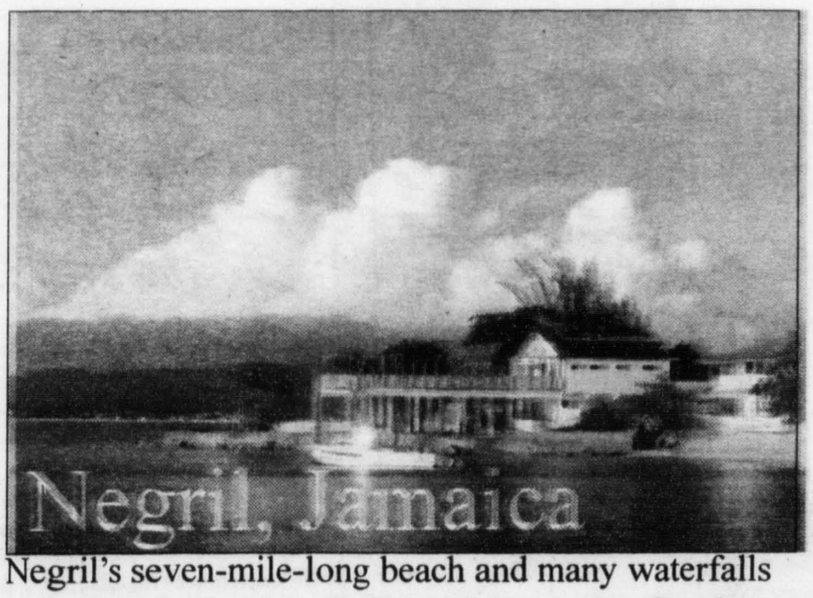

Negril's seven-mile-long beach and many waterfalls make it a destination that is widely sought after for Spring Break trips. The islands are well-known for their white sand beaches.

Cancun, Mexico has risen in popularity to become the top international Spring Break destination.

Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"

The Presidential race is on

Finally. Someone actually wrote into *The Flashlight* and expressed their opinion. Granted, it was an opinion criticizing me, but it's ok. I can take the criticism and I'm just happy someone took the time to read, think about and respond to something that I wrote.

As you can read in the letter below, I fell victim to the exact thing that I was trying to criticize. Instead of discussing more important issues, I just rehashed the events of the stories that drive me crazy. Maybe it's because I'm a part of the media- we just can't help but try to catch the attention of our audience. Any way we think we can shock them, we'll try.

The news will always have a shock value quality to it- people like being shocked and surprised. But this week, because of the letter (yes believe it or not if you have an opinion on the paper I try to address it) I'm going to try to stay away from shock value and stick with hard news.

Even though the presidential election is over a year and half away the nation is already a-buzz about the potential presidential candidates.

For the Democrats there is Senator Hillary Clinton. Clinton is no stranger to politics, which could end up becoming on of her weaknesses for the democratic party. People fear she has too much political baggage. There is also the obvious issue of her being a woman. In my opinion there is no way America is ready for a woman president. Me personally- I would love to see it- but I don't think the rest of the nation would. Polls have said that the majority Americans would be more accepting of an African-American president than a woman president. Which brings us to our next candidate; Senator Barrack Obama.

Obama is relatively new to the game of politics, this being his first term as Senator of Illinois, which could end up becoming one of his weaknesses. Another weakness of Obama's is that he's African American, even though Americans may be more open to an African American president than a woman president lets just face it, a lot of people would have a problem with an African American president. Again- I would love to see Obama become president but I have a feeling a lot of people would have a problem with it.

There's been talk of trying to convince former Vice President Al Gore to run for president again. However there is really no reason for him to run. He lost in 2000 and although it seemed like a disaster at the time, Gore has gone on to do good things without being president. The man just won an Oscar- what other former V.P. can say that?

The final democratic candidate is John Edwards. If you remember from the 2004 election he was John Kerry's running mate. Edwards is a solid candidate but hasn't received much attention thus far. However, the way that he will begin to receive more attention is if Clinton and Obama continue their public battles. When two candidates begin attacking one another as Clinton and Obama already have, the public typically turns toward the third candidate; in this case that would be John Edwards.

As far as the republican candidates go there is former mayor of New York, Rudy Giuliani. Giuliani became "America's Mayor" during 9/11 and was praised for the way he pulled New Yorkers and the nation together and handled the disaster. Since leaving office in 2001 Giuliani has laid relatively low on the political radar until he announced his candidacy this month.

Senator John McCain is another presidential hopeful for the republican party. McCain has been in the game since 1982 and ran unsuccessfully in 2000 for the presidential candidacy. He is considered to be the front runner for the republicans this time around.

Another up and coming candidate for the republicans is Mitt Romney. Romney is the former governor of Massachusetts. Romney's biggest problem will be competing with Giuliani and McCain. Giuliani and McCain are practically household names while Romney- well "Romney who?" is exactly what I said when I first heard his name.

It doesn't matter which party you belong to both races for the presidential candidacy are already proving to be interesting and can only get better.

What do you think?
E-mail your thoughts to
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Letter to the Editor:
Take your own advice

Dear Editor:

Sure, we've all gotten frustrated with the flux of news covering the entertainment industry in recent months—but what have you done to curb this seeming down-spiral within the news industry? Your concern for this saturation of entertainment news is completely warranted; however, I am a little puzzled by your reaction. Instead of responding to these trash news stories by providing a thoughtful commentary on a more pressing issue of today's world, you offered yet another play-by-play of these same over-covered stories that have dominated media coverage for months. Some advice? Respond not by putting down the interest in these entertainment-focused stories but by offering a challenging, thought-provoking article of your own in their place. You will receive a greater interest and respect from your Mansfield community readers by replacing these stories with ones of more important content than by bringing them up, yet again, in one of your editorials.

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Attention FEMALE STUDENTS:

The President's Commission on the Status of Women invites female students to honor and show their appreciation to a member of the Mansfield University community who has influenced them to become a stronger woman.

Nominate your personal mentor, a male or female member of the MU community, by telling us how this person has made a difference in your life.
Nomination forms are available on PCSW's website or by e-mailing lcliffor@mansfield.edu

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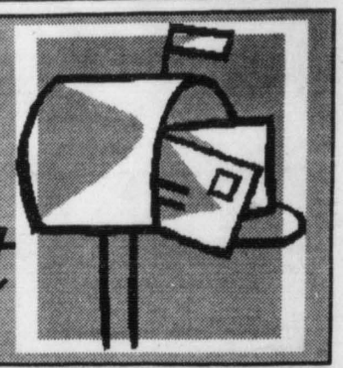

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Letters to the Editor are accepted and encouraged!

Letters can pertain to campus, local, national or global issues...whatever is on your mind!

Submit letters by noon on Mondays.

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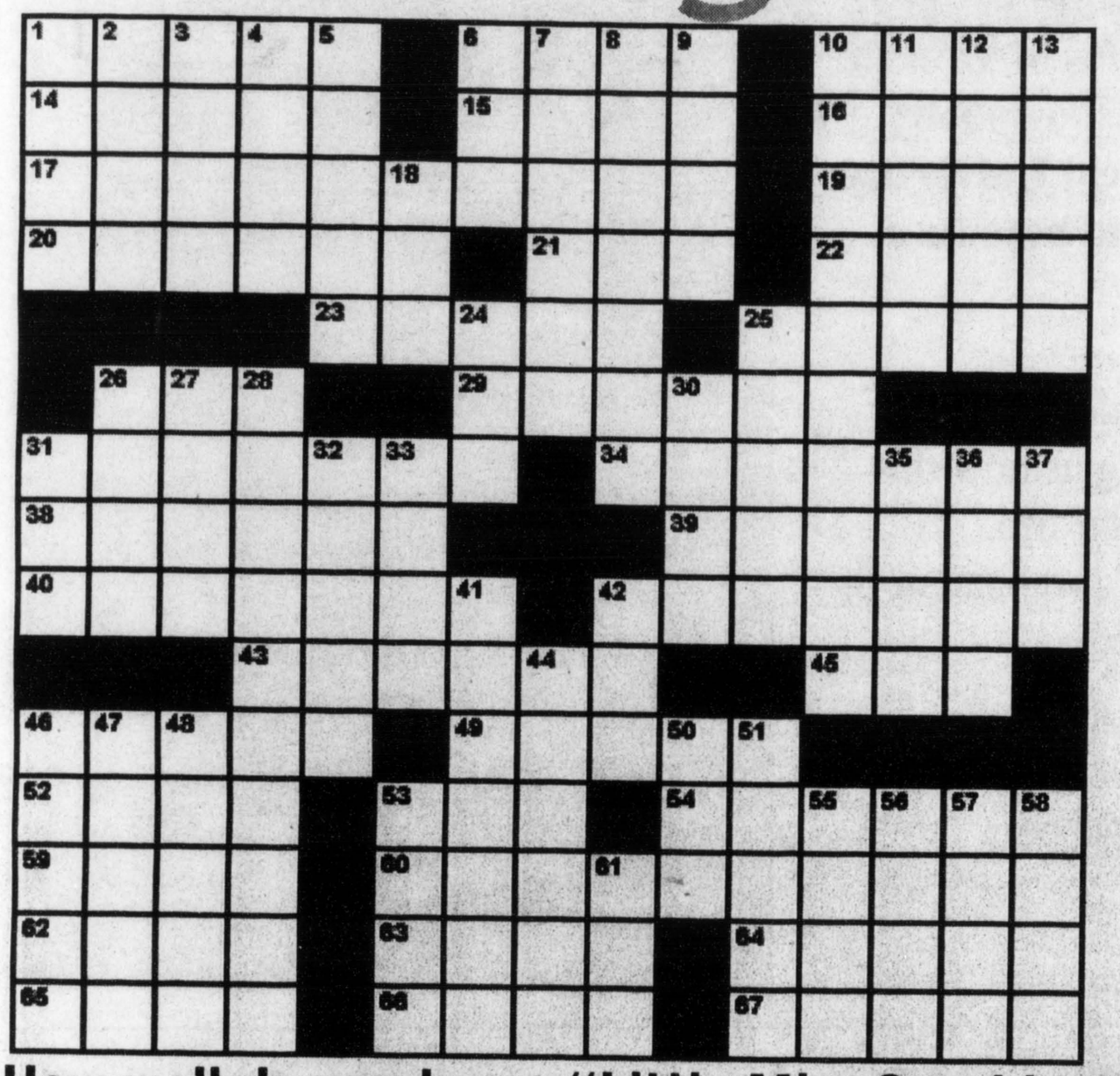


Across

1. Beagle or rottweiler, e.g.

6. Mimicked like a monkey

10. Political group

14. Surpass

15. Erase completely

16. Eye adjunct

17. Editing tool

19. Major or minor stellar bear

20. Fishing nets used vertically

21. What a dog did to ones homework?

22. Protection (Alternate spelling)

23. First name in shameful vice presidents

25. Off to the side at sea

26. Watch chain

29. Fruit tossed to demonstrate displeasure

31. Aspen relatives

34. Catch in a trap

38. Experience causing psychological injury

39. Says it ain't so

40. Disbelief in any supreme being

42. Shenzi, Banzai and Ed, e.g.

43. Fold

45. SLR camera finder feature

46. Lack of order

49. Poetic feet

52. Crabman's television friend

53. Not well

54. Nervousness

59. Fight with swords or pistols

60. First place indicator

62. Sicilian volcano

63. Wee amount

64. Salk vaccine target

65. Bring up

66. "Don't change" notation

67. Fishing leader

Down

1. Rides the waves

2. Lay down the law

3. Needle case

4. First place

5. Dumb and dumber stars

6. Canvas door covering ___ing

7. Spanish vagabond

8. Ultimate example

9. Notation leading to 66 Across

10. Texas state flower, aka cornflower

11. Small and medium alternative

12. Musical notation to show alternate passage

13. Gaping hole

18. Sixth sense, for short

24. His or her neutral alternative

25. Confused or in a ship

26. Pitt built one in Pittsburgh

27. Brightly colored food fish

28. Like Foxworthy's tour

30. First name in Longorias, affectionately

31. School org.

32. Middle Eastern chieftain

33. Demolish, alternative spelling

35. "Say it ___'_ so, Joe."

36. Genuine

37. Ski slope letter shape

41. Dancer's tights

42. Lower edge of a skirt

44. Honor formally

46. Fragrant evergreen

47. First name in French cuisine

48. Type of football

50. Rub the wrong way?

51. Trims hair with scissors

53. Sacred Egyptian bird

55. Black

56. Fit to perform

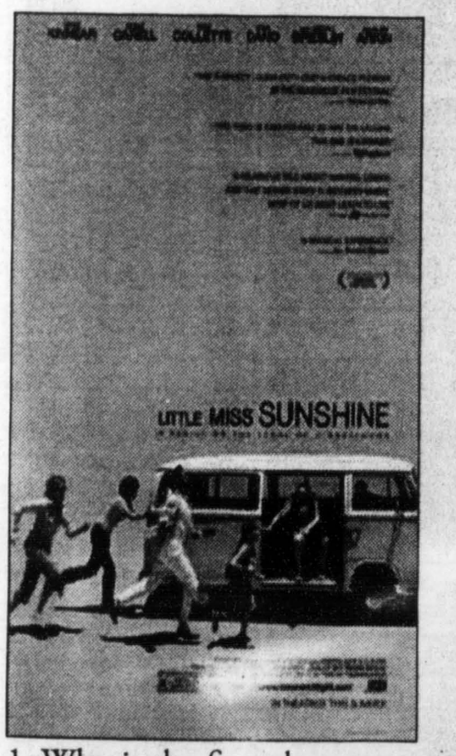
57. Earth or dirt

58. Organic compound suffix

61. Ingest

How well do you know "Little Miss Sunshine"?

Answer the questions below to find out



1. Who is the first character that you see in the movie?
A.Dwayne
B.Frank
C.Olive
D.Richard

2. What is the name of Grandpa's old retirement home?
A. Clairemont Retirement Village
B.Happy Endings
C.Sunset Manor
D.Sunrise Manor

3. Why does Stan say Richard's program won't sell?
A.It's horrible
B.Nobody has heard of Richard
C.Stan doesn't like Richard
D.There's already a plan like it

4. What does the police officer find in the trunk of the van?
A. Magazines
B.Grandpa's dead body
C.Cigars
D.Alcohol

5. Why can't Dwayne fly jets in the Air Force?
A. He can fly jets
B. He doesn't have 20/20 vision
C. He's deaf
D. He's colorblind

6. What song does Olive perform to in the pageant?
A. "Brick House"
B. "Superfreak"
C. "Opps, I did it again"
D. "Bye Bye Bye"

7.What is the name of the person who lets Olive in the pageant even though she's late.
A. Jason
B. Mario
C. Phillip
D.Kirby

8. Frank was considered the number one American scholar of which author?
A. James Joyce
B. Ernest Hemingway
C.Marcel Proust
D. Franz Kafka

1.c 2.c 3.b 4.a 5.d 6.b 7.d 8.c

On the sidelines with junior Bryan Morseman

Track and field athlete for the Mansfield Mountaineers

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Copy Editor

Bryan Morseman recently placed sixth after running the mile at the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Indoor Track and Field Championship in East Stroudsburg. Morseman has worked hard to improve his performance from last season. Morseman was able to talk to me about track and his dreams for the future.

Danelle Miller: What year are you and what is your major?
Bryan Morseman: I am a junior and my major is Criminal Justice.

DM: Where is your hometown?
BM: I am from Addison, NY.

DM: What made you decide to attend Mansfield University?
BM: Well first off I attended SUNY Cobleskill, which is a junior college, for two years and then I knew it was time to transfer, so that's when I chose Mansfield University. Plus, it's close to home. The community here is great and it feels like home to me because my hometown is a lot smaller than Mansfield, so I like feeling that I know everyone.

DM: When did you begin running track?
BM: I began running when I was 11, but instantly I knew I had something special and I had to take advantage of that while the chance was there.

DM: What interested you in track?
BM: Well my dad was a 4:40 miler in high school and my older brother was a really good 800m runner, so I guess that's what got me into running. Plus, I would love going to the starting line and hear people say "who's this little guy," and then I would smoke them. I thought that was a lot of fun.

DM: What motivates you during the season?
BM: To run fast and tell myself that I can do anything my heart desires. All I need is to be confident, believe I can and it will happen. My season is very long. I run cross country in the fall and I only took four days off this year. Then I start my indoor season, which is a week away from being over. Then I take a short break of three days and get ready for the outdoor track season and road races around the country. So you can imagine how hard it is to be a collegiate runner, but I really like challenges and am up for them everyday if they approach.

DM: How do you prepare for each meet?
BM: Well each year we go to some really big Division I meets and those are the meets I focus on heartedly because that's where you need to shine. My preparation consists of eating and getting my rest throughout the week and listening to some soft music that relaxes me. I love to listen to music the day of the meet because it also helps with the nervousness.

DM: How do you think you will finish this season?
BM: Well our season is over this coming weekend when we travel to Boston for the IC4A meet, which you had to run a certain time to be qualified. I am really looking forward to it and it feels good to be on a team that cares and takes steps to get better and faster everyday. I notice when it's race time my team members come together and support everyone. Having a team that can do that will push you faster and further than without.

DM: What are some awards you have earned for track?
BM: Not one particularly stands out, but the fact that I have been improving rapidly since I have been here is awesome and that is because I actually have a coach who knows what he is doing and is willing to listen to what I have to say. I thought before I ran in college I was a cross country runner and I hated the track, but now as I realize it, I am one awesome track runner as well. My accomplishment this year was to break the 15 minute 5k barrier and I did so by running 14:57 at Penn State by running the race of my life on the track.

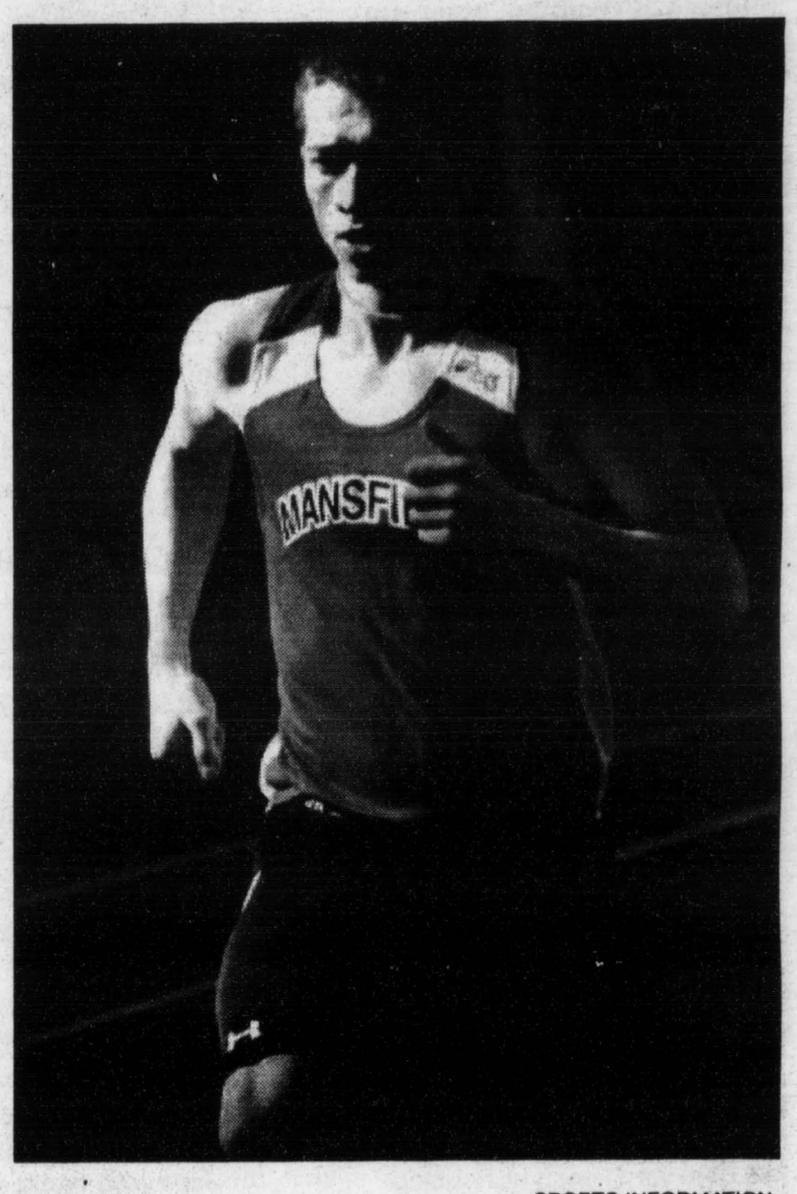
DM: What have you learned from track that you will take with you into the future?
BM: Well I am a very tough competitor and I hate to lose. I learned that you pretty much have to make the best of what you have and cannot take anything for granted as it could be washed away in a split instant.

DM: Do you have a coach that has helped you to become a better track athlete?
BM: Definitely my coach is great. It feels good when you have a coach who listens to his athletes. Also, it just feels good to be here and being coached by him because he has seen the Olympics and has been in the Olympic trials. That to me is what I want to pursue, so it feels awesome being here and being coached by my coach who knows how to handle tough situations when I get into them.

DM: Do you have any professional runners you look up to?
BM: Yes, the late Steve Prefontaine because I have always wanted to be like him as I try to take the same approach that he did. To never give up and make the race you're racing in a race and take it as if it was going to be your last. I have books and movies on him and I watch and read them a lot.

DM: What is your favorite sport besides track?
BM: That's a toughie. Well I would have to say basketball, but nothing compares to running. It's my life and I would like to take it to where it can get me, which I hope to represent the United States in the Olympics in 2012 in London. I am so excited because next May I will start running 120-140 miles a week, preparing myself to go after a U.S. Olympics trial standard.

DM: Are you a part of any other athletic teams at Mansfield?
BM: Nope, just running and logging the miles.



SPORTS INFORMATION
Junior Bryan Morseman capped off a solid season for the Mountaineers with a sixth place finish at the Indoor Track & Field Championship.

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Tipton shines for Mansfield Swim Team at PSAC Championship: Mountaineers score 51 points to finish 13th in final meet of season

By ANDREW OSTROSKI
Flashlight News Co-Editor

The Mansfield Mountaineer women's swimming team finished off their season with strong performances at the PSAC Championship meet at Cumberland Valley High School in Mechanicsburg.

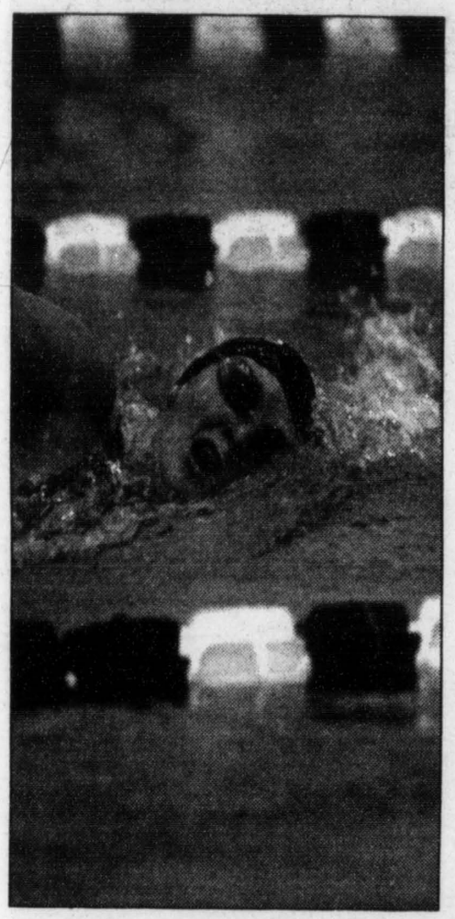

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
Sophomore Tricia Learn improved her qualifying time drastically in the 1000 yard freestyle, finishing with a time of 11:27.14.

Senior Abbe Tipton was the most successful of the Mountaineer women at the event, scoring 15 individual points for the team with a seventh place overall finish in the 100 backstroke and fourteenth in the 200 backstroke.

Tipton was seeded in the 100 backstroke with a 1:02.65. She swam the preliminary event at a season best time of 1:00.87, and swam just slightly slower at finals in the evening, coming in at a time of 1:01.44.

The next day, in the 200 backstroke Tipton swam a 2:15.05 in the morning's preliminaries, and again swam just slower in the finals, with a time of 2:16.32. Tipton's efforts in the 200 backstroke earned the team 3 points.

The 200 medley relay team, consisting of Tipton swimming backstroke, Amanda Oechler at breastroke, Maureen Maikner swimming butterfly and Tamar Maloney in freestyle finished 13th overall, picking up eight points for the Mountaineers.

The relay, which swam a time of 1:57.68, was the fastest that the four had swum in this event all season.

The same four were members of the 400 medley relay team the previous day, placing twelfth overall with a time of 4:19.14. The finish garnered ten points for the Mountaineers. Maloney, Tipton, Sarah Koontz and Tricia Learn competed in the 400 free relay on Friday as well, coming in twelfth overall with a time of 3:54.34.

Learn swam in the 1000 yard freestyle on Thursday evening soon after members of the team arrived on site. Learn finished 24th overall with a time of 11:27 .14. The time was twenty-two seconds faster than her qualifying time.

Mansfield placed thirteenth out of the teams that participated in the event. The West Chester Golden Rams dominated the event, taking top honors in both men's and women's action.

Head Coach Danita Fox reflected on the PSAC competition. "The most impressive races during the weekend were Abbe's 100 back in prelims when she swam a 1:00.87 and the 200 Medley Relay of Abbe, Amanda, Maureen and Tamar," said Fox. "The relay was the fastest all season with all four women doing their best splits."

Coach Fox also took a moment to look back on the women's swimming season.

"This season was a good season in the sense of team dynamics and qualifying more individual swimmers for conference championships than the previous three years," said Fox. "Also, the freshman class, three members, was a good solid class with all three members being point scorers for the team. Senior Abbe Tipton competed well throughout the season and that was critical to our success as well."

Most of this year's squad will be returning for the 2007-08 season. Freshman Amanda Oechler, Tamar Maloney, and Sarah Koontz are all due to return, while the team will only lose Tipton to graduation, as well as Daniella Borrelli, who only participated in a handful of events this year. Upperclassmen Mary Tucker, Tricia Learn, Maureen Maikner and Samantha Kutskel are all eligible to return next season.

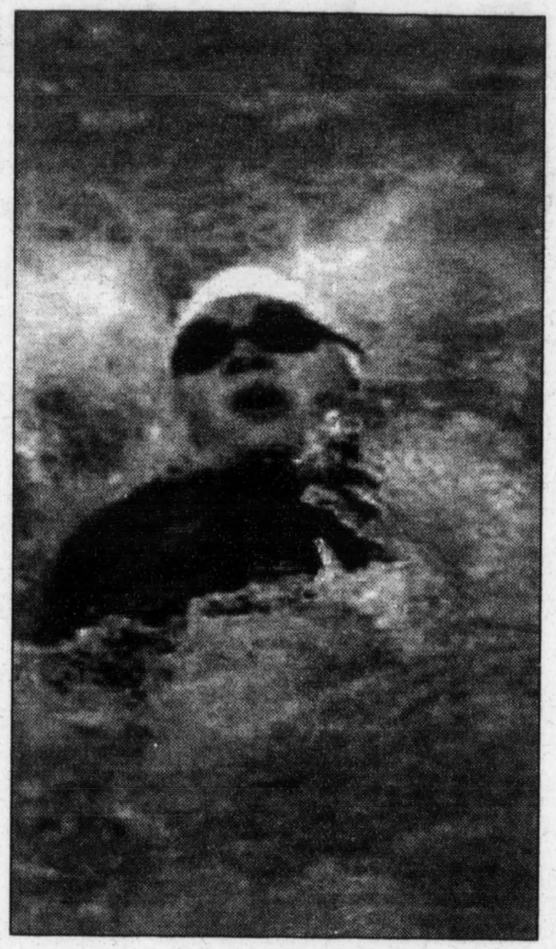

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
Senior Abbe Tipton ended her career in style, swimming the 100 and 200 backstroke while also competing as part of the school's 200 and 400 medley relay teams. Tipton was responsible for nearly half of the Mansfield point total.

While she remains optimistic, Fox has no clear outlook for the next season. She is most concerned about replacing Abbe Tipton, who will graduate this May.

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Mountaineer track and field completes PSAC's

Men finish 11th and women 10th as season winds down

By KIRK MILLER
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University women's indoor track and field team placed 10th and men 's respectively placed 11th at the PSAC Championships, Saturday Feb. 24 and Sunday Feb. 25, at East Stroudsburg University.

Despite the teams' seemingly poor performances head coach Mike Rohl was encouraged by their individual efforts. "I wasn't disappointed because we don't really have the bodies to do well at the PSAC's," Rohl said after the meet. "We don't have the bodies but we do have good individual athletes."

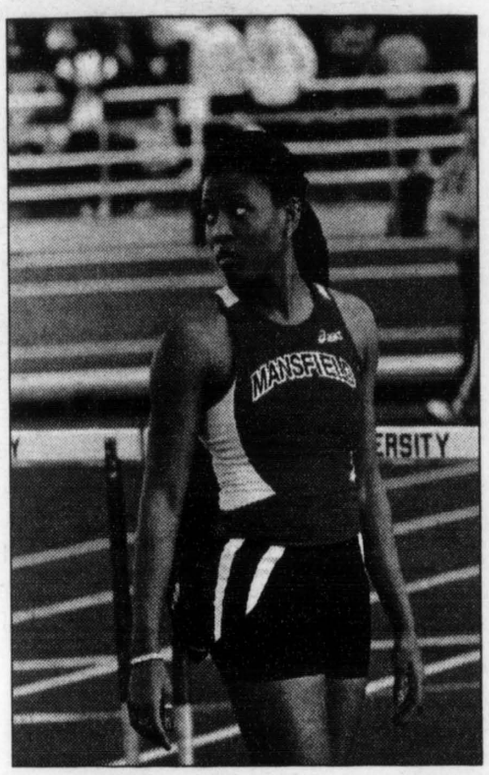

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
Junior Katrina Brumfield wa a member of the 4x400 relay team that notched an eight place finish on Saturday. The women finihsed with a time of 4:08.07.

One of those athletes, junior Dave Sanford, turned in what may have been the performance of the year when he lost a shoe just 100 meters into the 800 and finished the race. "The race went down the backstretch and I was in traffic and someone stepped on the back of my shoe," Sanford said. "It was just hanging there over my toes. I ran a few strides and flung it off. It definitely made the race more difficult for me."

Despite the marked disadvantage Sanford finished the race in second place, 1:55.76, just under three seconds behind IUP's Sean Strauman. "I don't think I would have won the race because Sean is an outstanding athlete," Sanford said about his finish. "But I do feel that it could have been much closer."

Sanford was also part of the men's distance medley relay team that finished third at 10:16.06 along with teammates junior Brian Morseman, sophomore Brain Falcone and freshmen John-Mark Stoltz.

Morseman added a sixth place finish in the mile with a time of 4:19.04 and freshman Mike Gray just missed scoring with a toss of 46-08.00 in the shot put.

The Mansfield University men finished the meet with 17 total team points, 123 behind winner Lock Haven.

On the women's side senior Nicole Dann had an up and down day finishing sixth in the mile, 5:09.42, before breaking her own school record with a third place in the 800 at 2:18.58. "I felt as though there where high expectations of my capabilities since I was ranked well in both events coming into the PSAC's," Dann said about her day.

Dann, the teams leading point getter on the weekend, helped the women's 4x400 relay team of junior Katrina Brumfield, sophomore Marisa Fronczkiewicz and freshman Erica Ferguson to an eighth place finish with a time of 4:08.07.

"Nicole is a supper leader," Rohl said about his team's senior co-captain. "She will do anything to help the team win. She's someone that the younger athletes look up to and try to learn from."

Also scoring for the Mountaineers where senior Rachel Hall, who finished fifth in the 5,000 at 18:35.63, and Fronczkiewicz with a seventh place in the 400 at 1:00.82.

Brumfield just missed scoring with a fourth in the high jump, 5-03.25, while junior Amanda Fedish finished 10th in the 200 with a personal best time of 26.50.

The men's and women's indoor track and field teams will travel to Boston next weekend, Saturday Mar. 3 and Sunday Mar. 4, to compete in the ICAAAA and ECAC meets respectively. Both events are division I meets in which Mansfield will be one of only three division II schools competing.

"We're going to have our hands full," Rohl said about the upcoming events. "But it's going to be good experience for our younger athletes."

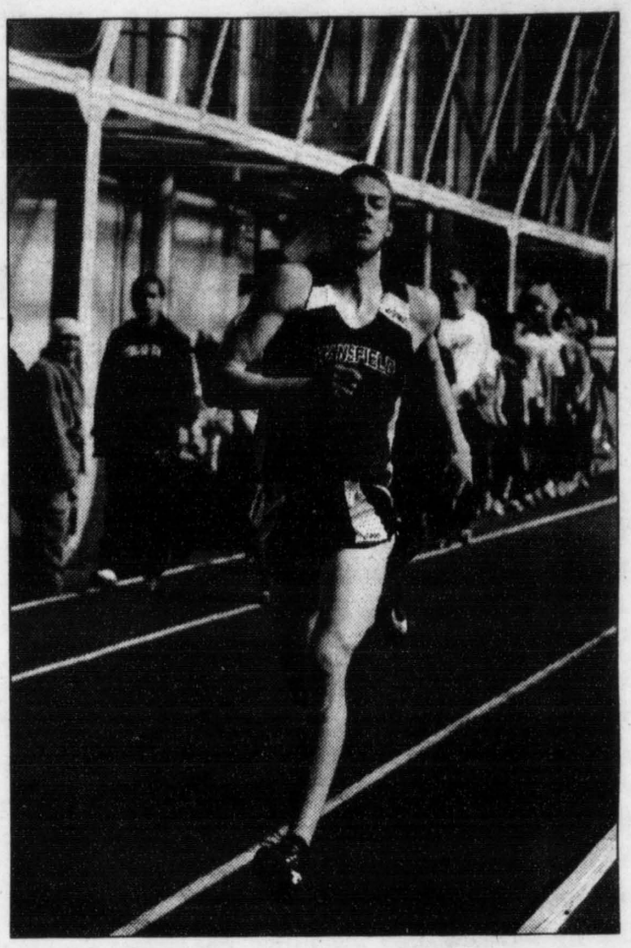

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
Dave Sanford had a very impressive performance at the PSAC Championship, finihsing second in the 800 meter run. What was most impressive about his race was that he lost his shoe only 100 meters into the run. Sanford was able to recover and still managed to finish just seconds from taking first place.

Lady Mountaineers clinch second consecutive season with a playoff berth:

Fall to first place East Stroudsburg 66-45 in first round of playoffs

By PATRICK LAHR
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield Women's Basketball team came into last week needing to win one of their last two games to clinch the fourth and final playoff spot. The Mountaineers also had a chance to set a school record for wins. The first chance at a record 7th win was at home against East Stroudsburg University last Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The Mountaineers started the game flat, shooting a dismal 27 percent from the field. The slow start put Mansfield behind 42-21 at halftime. . The only first half bright spot for Mansfield was Jessica Uhrich. Uhrich had 13 points and pulled down eight rebounds in the first half on her way to her 15th double-double of the season, 31 points and 14 rebounds.

The Mountaineers turned the game around coming out of the locker room in the second half. After playing a hallf of nine turnovers poor shooting, sloppy, the Mountaineers played a much sharper second half. Behind the strength of Uhrich and a team 44 percent from the field Mansfield rallied back. The Mountaineers closed the gap to 62-57 with 1:25 to play on a pair of Clarissa Correll free throws. However, that was as close as they would come though.

Depite the loss, Mansfield could still make the playoffs. In need of a win the Mountaineers prepared to travel to Bloomsburg on Saturday, Feb. 24. The night before they received some excellent news; Kutztown had lost to East Stroudsburg. With the loss Kutztown was eliminated from the playoffs, securing Mansfield as the final playoff team. The Mountaineers still had something to play for though as they traveled to face the Huskies; a second consecutive playoff birth and the second winning season in team history.

Mansfield came out hot offensively in the first half. Shooting 59 percent from the field, an impressive 7-for-11 from behind the arc, the Mountaineers held a 41-34 lead at the half. Uhrich had 13 of her 27 points in the first half. Uhrich added nine rebounds, just short of her 16th double-double of the season. With her performance Uhrich shattered the record for total points in a season, previosuly held by Alison Tagliaferri with 468, with 492 points.

The Mountaineers controlled the second half holding a 10 point lead, 64-54, until the 5:30 mark. The Huskies then went on an 18-5 run over the last five minutes of the game to win 72-69. Mansfield was ice from the field for the last five minutes, missing nine field goals and two free throws. The Mountaineers shot 32 percent from the field over the entire second half. Mallory Hafer finished the game with 15 points and Jeanette Meacham had a double-double, 13 points 10 rebounds.

With the loss Mansfield finished at 13-13, 6-6 in the PSAC. They earned a second consecutive playoff birth, the second in team history and the second most wins in a season by a Mountaineer squad.

"It's a tough loss when it happens like that," said head coach Ruth Hermansen about the loss. "We're going to regroup and get ready for the playoffs."

Mansfield traveled to East Stroudburg to face one of the best teams in the entire nation. It was a close through the first ten minutes, but the Warriors used their balanced scoring attack to take over the game.

With the score 18-14 in favor of East Stroudsburg, the Warriors went a 27-8 run to end the half. They went into the locker room ahead 45-22.

In the second half the Mountaineers would not quit, pulling within 13 points. It would not be enough as the PSAC East Champions went on to win by a final score 66-45.

This would mark the final game in the illustrous career of Senior Jessica Uhrich.

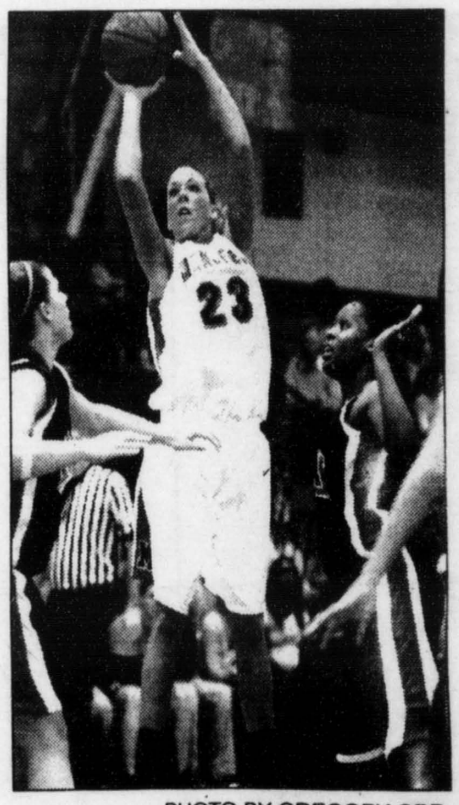

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
Senior Jessica Uhrich's career ended abruptly against East Stroudsburg in the playoffs, but she leaves Mansfield as one of the program's all-time best players.

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Mountaineers lose two overtime heartbreakers to PSAC East rivals

Mansfield finished tied for fifth, missing playoffs for first time since 2002

By PAUL OVERWISE
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield Mountaineers will miss the playoffs for the first time since the 2001-2002 season. The Mountaineers lost two overtime heartbreakers this week leaving them at 5-7 in the conference, in a three way tie for 5th place and a game out of the playoffs. The Mountaineers needed one win in the final two games to make the playoffs.

The Mountaineers hosted the East Stroudsburg Warriors on Wednesday, Feb. 21. It was a game of runs with East Stroudsburg leading by 16 with 5:29 remaining in the first half. Mansfield went on a 16-2 run to narrow the gap to two. East Stroudsburg took a five point lead into the half, 38-33. Mansfield started the second half strong, closing the gap to one point at 42-41. The Warriors answered with a 14-1 run to stretch the lead midway through the second half.

The Mountaineers wouldn't quit as they fought their way back with a 12-0 to take a two point lead with 5 minutes to go. The Warriors led by two with less than 30 seconds remaining when Brandon Lawley tipped back a rebound to tie the game at 69. John Hampton blocked a final attempt by the Warriors to win in regulation.

The Warriors controlled the overtime period outscoring the Mountaineers 18-10, including a 10-10 performance from the line. Murvin English went 8-8 in overtime from the charity stripe.

John Hampton led four Mountaineers in double figures with 17 points. Chris Greene and Terrance Williams chipped in 16 and Kevin Hill scored 13. Brandon Lawley chipped in 13 rebounds to go with nine points. Mansfield was out shot 49 percent to 36 percent from the field. Channon Easley paced the Warriors with 16 points and 11 rebounds.

Mansfield had one more chance to make the playoffs. They traveled to Bloomsburg on Saturday to take on the Huskies. The scenario was simple; win and they're in. The Mountaineers came out very strong against the Huskies taking a 14-2 lead to start the game. The Huskies would claw back to cut the lead to four at half, 38-34. Mansfield led until the 11 minute mark when the Huskies took their first lead at 54-53.

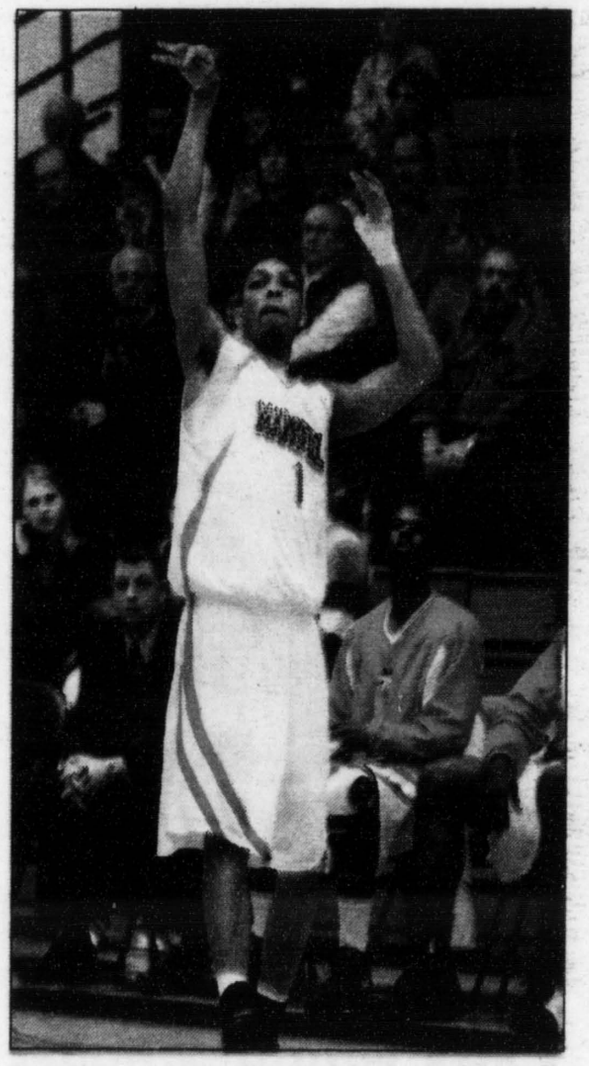
The game went back and forth down the stretch with Kevin Hill giving the Mountaineers a late lead with a three pointer. Billy Bryan hit two foul shots to tie the game at 75. Mansfield had the ball back with the shot clock unplugged. After a Coach Miller time out, Chris Greene drove to the basket and was fouled with three seconds left. Greene, who injured his shooting hand in the first half, was unable to connect on either attempt and the game went to overtime. Mansfield ran into foul trouble in overtime with Hampton, Greene and Jouvoun Webb all fouling out. Bloomsburg hit their foul shots in overtime to secure the 89-85 victory.

"It's a tough one to swallow," head coach Rich Miller said. "Our guys played solid throughout the game. We had our chances at the end but things just weren't falling our way."

Hampton and Hill paced the Mountaineers with 20 points each. Williams added 15, Webb had 12 and Chris Pender added 11. Nick Jones scored 31 points for Bloomsburg including 15-21 from the foul line. The Huskies shot 30-46 from the line compared to 18-25 for the Mountaineers.

This year's PSAC playoffs have a different look than most analysts expected. The Millersville Marauders and Cheyney Wolves were expected to make it, but East Stroudsburg and the Kutztown Golden Bears were not. The West Chester Golden Rams, who were near consensus picks to win the conference, missed the playoffs after losing five of their final six conference games.

While it is disappointing for this team to miss the playoffs, there are a lot of positives that can be taken from this year. This team is very young and even being in playoff contention is an accomplishment. While Terrance Williams is a very important piece of the puzzle, he is the only senior leaving the Mountaineers. Every other team in the PSAC East will lose at least three players to graduation. This team gained very valuable experience that will make them dangerous next season.



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Senior Terrance Williams played well in his final week as a Mountaineer, scoring 16 points against the East Stroudsburg Warriors and 15 points against the Bloomsburg Huskies.

Coming up in Mountie Sports

Feb. 25 Baseball @ West Virginia Wesleyan 12 noon	26	27 Women's Basketball @ East Stroudsburg 7 p.m.	28	Mar. 1	2 Indoor Track @ Field @ Boston ICAAAA/ECAC	3
4	5	6	7	8 Baseball @ Fort Meyers, Florida Tournament Mar. 8-16	9 Softball @ Florence, SC Patriot Invitational	10 Track & Field @ Coastal Carolina

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Today's Weather
Late Rain Showers

High- 51°F
Overnight Low- 37°F

Information taken from weather.com

University President Maravene Loeschke to be celebrated at weeklong inauguration events

By LAURA HALL
Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University will host The Inauguration and Special Events of President Maravene Loeschke March 23-30, 2007 at various locations on the Mansfield University Campus.

Anne Lavancher is the Executive Associate to the President. "Loeschke wanted her inauguration to be a celebration for the university and the community, not just for herself," Lavancher said. Loeschke requested that there be events leading up to the actual inauguration ceremony; hence the creation of inauguration week. Loeschke also came up with "the ideas and feel she wants to implement," Lavancher said.

There are nine Special Events preceding the Inaugural Ceremony. There are events specifically for students, faculty, staff and alumni alike.

On Friday, March 23 from 5 to 7 p.m., there will be a dinner and a dance for students. The dinner will be in Manser Hall and the dance will be at The Hut.

A Mansfieldians Concert will be held at 8 p.m. on Saturday in Steadman Theatre.

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR

Mansfield University will be hosting events for the Inauguration of President Maravene Loeschke (center) next week.

On Sunday, March 25 at 2:30 p.m., a Hollywood Revisited concert will be held in Steadman Theatre. Following the show at 7:30 will be a presentation of Peter and the Wolf in Steadman Theatre in which Loeschke will participate.

Monday, March 26 there will be A Global Fair from 12 to 4 p.m. in Alumni Hall. The fair will have displays of countries visited by members of the campus community.

On Tuesday, March 27 from 2 to 4 p.m. in North Manser Hall there will be a reception honoring faculty and staff. Following that reception will be a presentation by a stand-up comic, Tissa Hami, at 7 p.m. in Straughn Hall.

Jennifer Armstrong will present "Four Cinderellas" in Straughn Hall on Wednesday, March 28 at 7 p.m.

There will be an Inaugural Concert at 7:30 pm in Steadman Theatre on Thursday, March 29. Dr. Brennan wrote some of the pieces for this event.

The Inaugural Ceremony will be held at 4 p.m. on Friday, March 30 in Straughn Hall. Following the ceremony there will be a reception in North Hall from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Roughly 500 people are invited to the Inauguration. Students, staff and faculty who wish to attend are encouraged to get tickets for the ceremony and should know that they are free and available on a first come/ first serve basis. Tickets will be available starting March 19 in 503 North Hall.

There is no dress code for the Special Events during the week; however, those attending the inauguration ceremony should dress appropriately for this formal event.

If Straughn Hall fills up there will be an overflow room in Allen Hall with a live feed of the ceremony being shown.

SAO plans exciting spring semester events

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Writer

The Student Activities Organization will be sponsoring several events during the remainder of the spring semester. All of the events will be free to Mansfield University students.

The first event will be a psychic fair provided by For Goodness Sake. Four psychics will read students' palms and tarot cards. The readings will take place from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the Alumni Student Center in room 307.

Clarence Crisp is the director of student activities. "Students have a chance to come in and talk to a seer about their humble existence on earth," Crisp said.

The circus will arrive in Decker Gymnasium on April 6. Some acts that have been performed in past shows are contortionists, a high wire act, canine Frisbee champions, geometric juggling, a hilarious circus genie, as well as other performances. The Billy Martin Circus will begin their performance at 7 p.m.

The spring concert will be held on April 20 featuring Yung Joc and Juelz Santana. The genre of this year's concert will be rap. Yung Joc is signed to Bad Boy South and Block Entertainment. His most recent CD release is New Joc City. Juelz Santana is signed to Roc-A-Fella Records, Diplomat Records and Def Jam Recordings. Santana's most recent album has been What the Big Game's Been Missing. Information about obtaining tickets will be released soon.

"The concert series changes the atmosphere in a positive fashion. It is something students looks forward to," Crisp said.

Emerson Drive is also performing at the university on April 26. This band is a country band from Canada which is currently signed to Midas Records, Nashville. The men of Emerson Drive have recently put out an album titled Countrified.

Another event to look out for is the Spring Fling on May 3. The Student Government Association is sponsoring the event with the Student Activities Organization supporting the event. Some attractions that will be featured are rides, food, and games from noon to 5 p.m. From 5 pm-7 pm the Zodiak Stance Team, Phi Beta Sigma, the Mansfield University Dance Team and DOA will perform.

Robyn Travisano is the vice president for SGA. "We are hoping to have a drive in movie on the football field and fireworks afterwards," Travisano said.

During the week of spring fling there will be events occurring every night. "We are still planning events for the week of spring fling, but one night SGA wants to have a casino night," Travisano said.

Weekly Weather

TODAY

Rain showers late

High: 59 Low: 34

FRIDAY

Partly Cloudy

High:50 Low:32

SATURDAY

Rain Showers

High: 50 Low:31

SUNDAY

Sunny

High: 52 Low: 29

MONDAY

Partly Cloudy

High:48 Low: 42

TUESDAY

Showers

High: 59 Low: 40

WEDNESDAY

Partly Cloudy

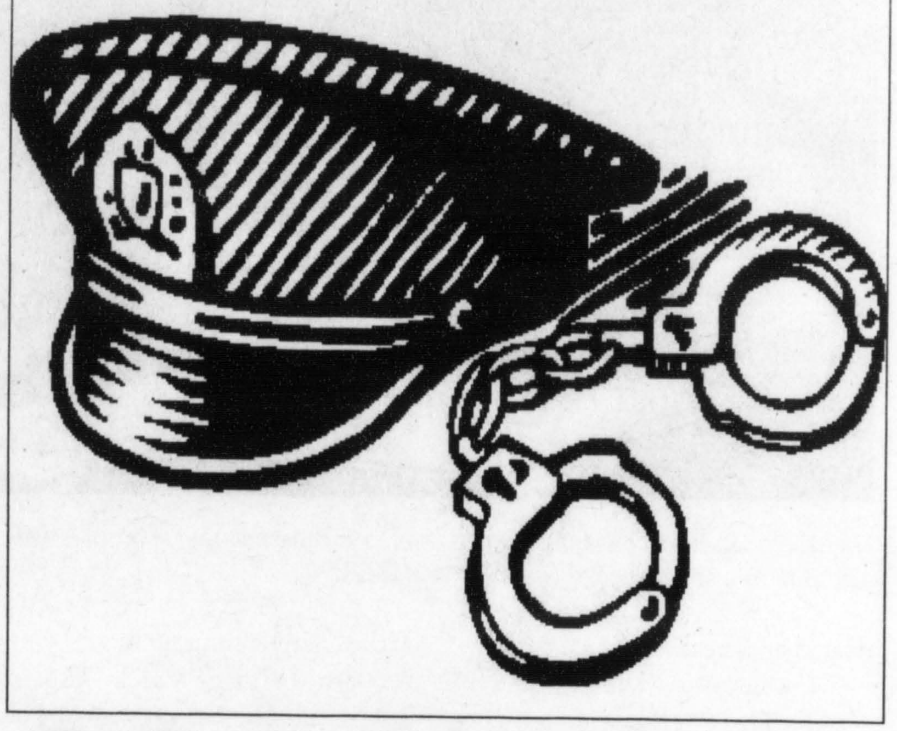
High: 51 Low:37

Information taken from www.weather.com

Police Beat

March 1, 2007 - Underage Consumption - Michael Farrington, 19, was cited for underage consumption after he refused to leave a female's dorm room.

March 4, 2007 - Act 64 Violation - Police were dispatched to the second floor of Laurel B for the smell of marijuana. Upon arrival police detected that the odor was coming from room 217. Police confiscated marijuana and parphernalia. Jennifer Smith, 20, will be reffered to residence life.



SGA Update

By FEMI OGUNDELE
Flashlight Writer

This week at Student Government Association, the Senate received a report from the Executive Board on their recently attended COSGA conference. During the conference, the executive board had the opportunity to discuss and brainstorm new ideas with other student government representatives from colleges across the country.

The Student Government also announced that applications are now available for next semester's Student Government Senate. Applications can be found in the Student Government office located on the 3rd floor of the Alumni Hall. The deadline for applications is Friday, March 30. Elections will be held Monday, April 16.

Student Government also opened discussion on how to spend surplus funds on the students this semester. This week committees will be looking into some upcoming events this semester such as, Casino Night and Spring Fling.

Student Government will also be serving the community on Saturday, March 31 as they host their second annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny event. Children will be able to feast on a pancake breakfast and later have the opportunity to take pictures and hang out with the Easter Bunny.

For more information on your Student Government and upcoming events, or for questions or concerns, visit the Student Government office in 321 Alumni Hall. To visit a Student Government Meeting, stop by the office on Mondays at 9:15 pm.

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

•Mansfield University

•Frederick Douglass Scholarships

The Frederick Douglass Institute is dedicated to promoting diversity and academic excellence at Mansfield University. Interested students may pick up applications in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center, Alumni Hall Student Center, or at Dr. Lynn Pifer's office, G 04b Belknap Hall. For more information, visit: www.mansfield.edu/FDI/scholarship.htm

HEY, YOU!

Want to write for THE FLASHLIGHT? Come to our meetings! Thursdays at 1 p.m. in AHSC 314

Exhibit featuring chairs set to adorn North Hall Art Gallery

"Chair Series I and other Recent Works," an exhibit by Hope Zaccagni, will be on display at the Mansfield University Gallery beginning on Tuesday, March 20. The exhibit will run through Thursday, April 26.

Zaccagni is the 2-D technician at Alfred University. She graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a BAFA in painting and sculpture. She worked for 13 years as a silver and goldsmith making fine-art jewelry.

As the name would suggest, Zaccagni's show is a study of chairs. "My most recent work has grown out of a fascination I have for abandoned chairs," she said. "Old lawn chairs, chairs left in hallways, offices and classrooms, chairs used to hold doors open for people who have long exited, chairs basking in sunlight and chairs left out in the snow or on the curb."

"The work is a response to the anthropomorphic quality of the chairs and the implied narrative in their abandonment," Zaccagni added. "Their image evokes a sense of a distant memory, a journey taken, and lost love, or an old friendship. They often elicit a feeling of loneliness, absence, dislocation. The chair(s) are not staged or arranged as a still life would be. I paint them exactly the way I find them with simple, direct color forms, playing on the geometry of the chairs and their shadows. Paying a great deal of attention to the architecture of the painting, I use the relationship of color and light to create a place for the object to live and an atmosphere that attempts to recreate the original response I had to them. The environment in which they live tells as much of the story as the chairs themselves."

A reception and artist's talk by Zaccagni will take place on Tuesday, March 27, 4 p.m. in the University Gallery.

The MU Gallery is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in North Hall.

The exhibit is sponsored by MU Art Acquisition and Exhibition Committee, which is funded by Mansfield University College Community Services Inc (CCSI).

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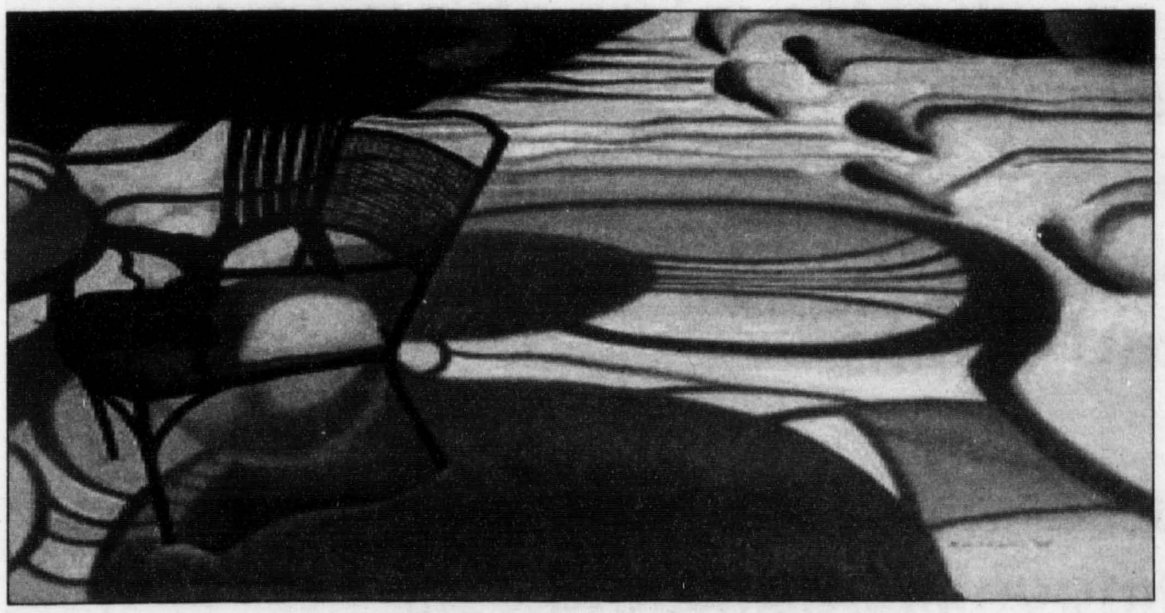
The works of Hope Zaccagni are set to be featured in the art gallery in North Hall, and will feature chairs and other seats.



Social work department prepares students for changes in field

Mansfield University is one of 72 institutions nationwide participating in a project focused on changing the shape of social work at all levels, with the goal of preparing social work graduates to be just as effective as advocates and resources for the older citizens of their communities as they are for children.

The project is administered through the Council on Social Work Education's (CSWE) GERO-Ed Center and is supported by the John A. Hartford Foundation, which has committed over $50 million nationwide for its Geriatric Social Work Initiative.

As the baby boom generation ages and life expectancy increases, demand for social workers continues to grow. To meet this need, social work education programs must prepare students with gerontological competencies to improve the care and well-being of an increasing number of older adults and their families.

"The common image of the social worker as a hardworking, dedicated child-welfare advocate, embodied by Maxine, Tyne Daly's character in the TV show 'Judging Amy,' no longer suffices as a portrayal of what society needs from its well-trained social workers," Mansfield University Associate Professor and Director of the Social Work Program Nancy Sidell said.

The Social Work Program at Mansfield University has developed innovative ways to infuse gerontological competencies into students' required course work so that every student graduates with foundation knowledge and skills to work with older adults. It has also created other experiential opportunities to recruit students to the field of gerontological social work.

Now in its last year of the project, the Mansfield University Social Work Program first planned and implemented changes to increase the gerontological competencies and content in the required social work curriculum. Faculty are continuing implementation, evaluating the impact of curriculum changes, disseminating their findings to other social work programs nationally.

One of the major accomplishments of the project was to increase the involvement of students with older adults and building more opportunities and interest in practicing with the older population. Additionally, opportunities for continuing interdepartmental collaboration were enhanced. The program is also involved in hosting a "Careers in Aging Week" April 8 – 14.

As a result of infusion activities, students were required to complete interviews with older persons around a social problem topic. One student participant completing an internship in an aging setting wrote: "I was nervous about working with older people but once I got started I realized that … most of them are kind and they just need some help with certain things. A lot of the consumers that I go see love to have company and they are just as interested in me as I am in them."

An older participant of an aging-infused research project wrote a thank you letter to the project director, indicating his delight with the experience. "It was especially pleasing since I have long advocated closer relationships between my and younger generations…. Perhaps the learning experience of my 93 years … will benefit social understanding. Bringing generations together for mutual learning directly benefits all involved."

The number of older persons, particularly the oldest old (85+), is growing rapidly. As a result, social workers in all practice settings--child welfare, schools, mental health clinics, or health facilities--increasingly interact with older adults and their families.

"When elders need assistance, they receive it mainly from their families or a combination of family care and community-based health and social services," Janice Purk, assistant professor of Sociology, said. "Therefore, coordinating care with older adults, their families, and complex service networks is crucial."

Gerontological social workers serve as "navigators" and "expediters," enabling older adults and families to understand and choose among the array of health and social services. They empower older adults and their family caregivers to find the assistance they need. They also facilitate family support, provide counseling and direct services, and coordinate care delivered through professional systems. And they advocate addressing the gaps in services for older adults.

"Students in the Social Work Program are now better prepared to play these roles in a wide range of practice settings," Sidell said. "Mansfield University's Social Work Program is on the vanguard of a national movement among leaders in health and social services, funders, and policy-makers to expand the workforce of social service professionals with much needed expertise working with older adults."

For more information on the Mansfield University Social Work Program, contact Sidell at (570)662-4489 or nsidell@mansfield.edu or Purk at (570)662-4486 or jpurk@mansfield.edu

Mansfield University Criminal Justice Club lends a helping hand

By COREY WHITEHEAD
Special to the Flashlight

The Criminal Justice Club is making a positive impact on the Mansfield University Campus and in the community.

The members of the club held a meeting on Monday, March 5 to discuss ways that they could help the community and campus. The club has some community service activities that are lined up for this semester.

The Criminal Justice Club is preparing to be a part of President Maravene Loeschke's inauguration week activities. According to Criminal Justice Club President Josh Herman, the club plans on helping with the parking situation that is going to be difficult due to the mass amount of people that are planning to attend.

"There is going to be a lot of people who are going to need help when it comes to the parking and the Criminal Justice Club will be there to help," Herman said. "It is going to be a big event and I am glad that me and my club can help with it."

The members of the Criminal Justice Club will also be hosting a tip-night at Pizza Hut to help raise money for the club and for the community. Tip-night is when the members of the club act like the waiters and bring the food and the drinks out to the customers. Then at the end of the meal the members will collect the tips that are left. Some of the money will be put it in the club's fund and some will be donated to the community.

The members also hosted activities last semester. Last semester the club held a dodge ball tournament fundraiser that took place in Kelchner Fitness Center. The winners of the tournament were really everyone who was involved and the actual winners of the tournament got a $10 gift card to Wal-Mart.

Academic Advising Center hosts showing of PBS documentary to promote planet-friendly habits

By JILL KAUFFMAN
Special to the Flashlight

Nicole Wilson hosted the showing of "Land of Plenty, Land of Want", a PBS documentary, on March 6 in Allen Auditorium.

Wilson is an advisor in the Academic Advising Center at Mansfield University. She picked the movie "Land of Plenty, Land of Want" from a PBS series of documentaries called Journey to Planet Earth.

The film showed some problems that farmers face. The places featured were Zimbabwe, France, China and the United States.

> "People should be better at living clean and green."
> -Nicole Wilson

"I picked this film because I felt that students who are from rural areas could relate to the topic and also so students who are from urban areas could learn something that would help them relate to the rural setting they are in when at Mansfield," Wilson said.

The problems in the areas are very different. Zimbabwe suffers with droughts, French farmers cannot compete with prices of foreign crops, China's farming land is becoming industrialized, and farmers in the United States might be overworking the soil.

The problems all stem from countries trying to feed their populations without harming the environment. "I think it is important for students to have a better world view. We tend to only look at what we can see outside our own windows. We need to realize we are part of a global community and are all interrelated," Wilson said.

Kate Keough, a Mansfield University student, attended the event and agrees with Wilson. "People need to be more educated and informed about what's going on with the world," Keough said.

Wilson believes students need to make an effort to help the environment.

"People should be better at living clean and green. Some people think the difference they make by recycling or driving less is very small, but if all people tried their best to be better to the planet, the planet would be in better shape. Everything you do counts. Even just picking up trash on your way to class or talking your friends who smoke into not leaving their butts everywhere," Wilson said.

Mansfield University Sesquicentennial Time Capsule Project

The Mansfield University History Club is collecting donations for a time capsule to be dedicated this fall during the sesquicentennial celebration of the university.

The club is looking for donations of photos, flyers, T-shirts, writings, and other small items that show what life is like on campus in the year 2007.

All donations can be taken to room 213 Pinecrest Manor Mon.-Fri. between 8 a.m. and noon, as well as 1-4 pm.

If you have any questions please contact Lindsay Rossi for more information at rossila@mountiesmansfield.edu

Mansfield University Events Calendar

Thursday, Mar. 22

Event: Psychic fair in Room 307 Alumni Hall Student Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sponsored by Student Activities Office/Funded by Student Activity Fees

Friday, Mar. 23

Music: Thomas Dixon senior voice recital, Steadman Theatre, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Mar. 24

Music: Mansfieldians with guest Gregory Schreiner. 8 p.m., Steadman Theatre

Event: SAO Bus trip to Niagara Falls, leaves 6 a.m.

Sunday, Mar. 25

Music: Gypsy Concert- 2:30 p.m., Steadman Theatre.

Music: Mansfield Brass Quintet concert, 7:30 p.m., Steadman Theatre.

Event: Cultural/Spiritual Trip to The IAM Counseling and Retreat Center at Tesserville Farms, New Albany, PA. Limited seating so preregistration required. Van meets outside Laurel. Time is to be announced.

Monday, Mar. 26

Tuesday, Mar. 27

Event: Opening Reception & Gallery Talk with Hope Zaccagni, whose recent works are exhibited in North Hall Gallery, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Mar. 28

Event: Faculty Lecture Series Event: "Watershed Management, Geography & Geology department Environmental Advocacy: Act locally!" Straughn Auditorium, 4-5:30 p.m.

What in the World News in a Flash

By ANDREW OSTROSKI
Flashlight News Co-Editor

WORLD NEWS

PANAMA CITY, Panama- The U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency along with Panamanian police seized one of the largest amounts of cocaine in maritime history off the coast of Panama on Sunday. A ship containing 19.4 metric tons of cocaine was seized near Coiaba, off the Panamanian coast. Twelve men aboard the ship, consisting of Panamanian and Mexican nationalities, were arrested. Two additional suspects were arrested in Panama City. Colombian drug cartels often used the Panamanian coast on the Pacific side to smuggle narcotics up the coast into Mexico and eventually into the United States. Panama has worked in close conjunction with the DEA to break up drug smuggling rings running through the country in the past. A smuggling activity was also broken up off of the Ecuador coast this week, as smugglers burned a boat containing 440 pounds of cocaine to avoid capture by the U.S. Coast Guard.

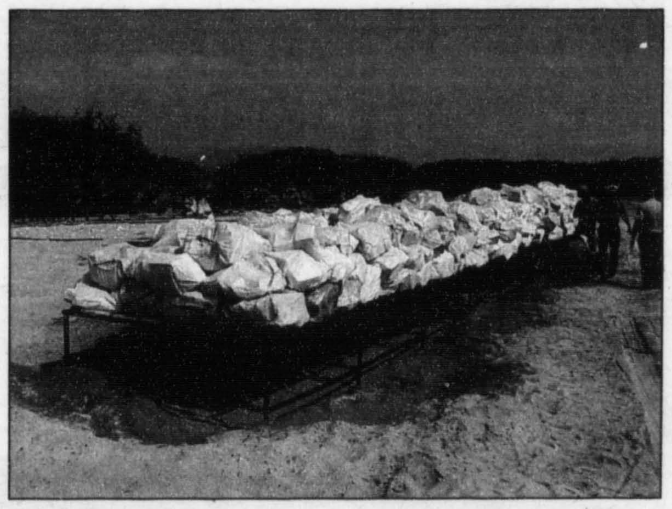


PHOTO FROM DEA.GOV
Large drug busts such as the one pictured are common in the Central American nations between Colombia and the United States.

MOSCOW, Russia- Sixty-two people were killed in a Russian home for the elderly after a night watchman ignored the fire alarms. The state institution caught fire around 1 a.m. local time, while most of the residents of the building would have been asleep. The fire raged for more than four hours before being extinguished by firefighters from neighboring areas who arrived an hour after the first alarms. The initial alarms were ignored by the night watchman, and he did not respond until he saw actual flames coming from the structure. Other orderlies and nurses were not at their posts, and thus were not able to evacuate the sleeping residents. It is thought that most of the victims died of smoke inhalation. This incident, along with the deaths of 100 miners a day before at a Siberian coal mine, is prompting further scrutiny of Russian state-operated businesses.

GAZA CITY- The BBC has issued pleas for the safe return of one of their reporters who is believed to have been kidnapped in Gaza City over a week ago. Alan Johnston, the BBC's Gaza correspondent, was reported missing after his armored vehicle was found abandoned on a street in the city on March 12. No reports of his situation have been made, and no one has claimed responsibility for his kidnapping. The BBC has pled for at least some information about Johnston's whereabouts or condition. Journalists and other westerners are a constant target for kidnapping in the Gaza strip. Fourteen journalists have been abducted and released unharmed in Gaza since 2004.

MCGRADY, North Carolina- A Boy Scout that had been missing in woodlands on the North Carolina-Virginia border has been found alive and well. 12-year-old Michael Auberry of Greensboro, North Carolina was reported missing on Saturday after he declined to join other scouts in his troop on a hike. Auberry remained at the camp site with an adult, but was not present when the other scouts returned from the hike. The Boy Scout was found on Tuesday 1.5 miles from the camp site. Auberry complained only of mild dehydration, and was otherwise uninjured when he was discovered by a searcher and her tracking dog.

LOCAL NEWS

WILLIAMSPORT, Pennsylvania- The Mayor of Williamsport has left a group promoting illegal gun reform. Mayor Mary B. Wolf ended her relationship with the "Mayors Against Illegal Guns" coalition. Wolf cited her dropping out of the program for reasons that may have conflicted with legal gun ownership laws, and may also conflict with the Second Amendment which expresses the right to bear arms. She also said that her view on guns and gun control conflicted with the views of New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, who began the initiative. Wolf sent a letter to Bloomberg's office in New York City in February to announce her intentions to leave the program.

CORNING, New York- New York State Police are in search of a suspect who attempted to break into a car wash for forty minutes only to leave empty handed. Police say that a white male wearing a dark colored hooded sweatshirt attempted to enter the Laser Car Wash through the rear door of the business on Park Avenue in Corning. The unidentified man attempted to enter the back door by using an axe with a yellow hammer attached to it. He was unable to enter the building, and was frightened away after forty minutes of attempting after he was spotted. A surveillance camera captured the events.

All information taken from cnn.com, sungazette.com, and wetmtv.com

Got a secret? Anonymously post it on the web for the world to see

By DAN RYAN
Flashlight Writer

When a person has something he or she feels must be kept a secret, it can potentially become a stressful situation. The secret could be something minor like an inability to wink or something severe like being the victim of some sort of sexual violence. Whatever the case, fear or embarrassment can keep these people from finding the help of a close friend to cope. But now secret holders around the world have a way to ease their anxiety. All they need is a postcard, something to write with and a little creativity.

Over 100,000 people with secrets have become a part of Post Secret, the brainchild of Frank Warren. Warren, who lives in California with his family, decided one day to place about 3,000 postcards around his community. He gave some to neighbors and even placed them in books at his library. On these cards he left only one simple instruction: to write something on the card that has never been told to anyone and send it back to his address.

It didn't take long for Warren's response. Within weeks, his postcards started coming back to him, and before long he was receiving cards from around the world. By simply trying to help people who were troubled by secrets, Warren had started a revolution, one that he named Post Secret. "I think it's healthy to share these secrets with a pastor, or a spouse, or even writing them down on a postcard and releasing it to a stranger," Warren says. "I think that in some ways it gives us ownership over those secrets that might otherwise have owned us."

Since Warren began receiving postcards he has published three Post Secrets books, all highlighting some of the most moving cards he has received. There is even a website (www.postsecrets.com) dedicated to his phenomenon that shows new cards each week. One card with a scrabble board pictured has this written on it, "I let you win." Others reveal darker secrets, no less important. One such card pictures the popular clownfish from Disney's "Finding Nemo" along with the words, "I love my disabled son…But I don't think I can live with him anymore."

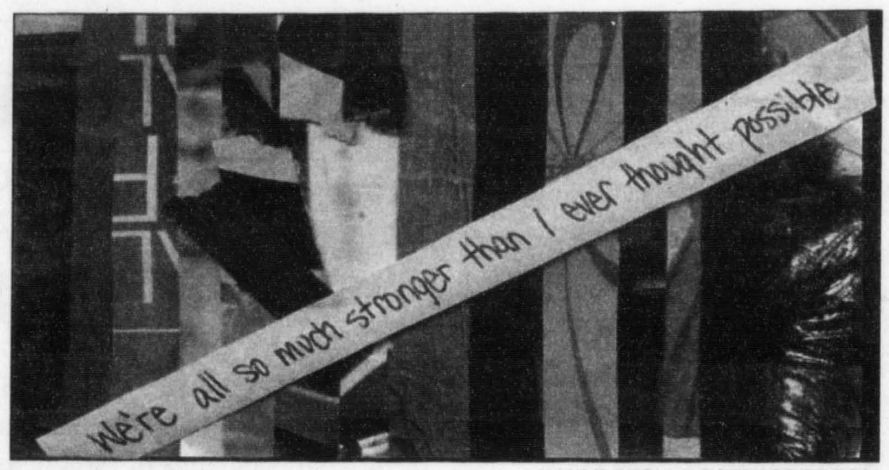


IMAGE FROM POSTSECRET.COM

Frank Warren sent out 3,000 postcards with one instruction: write a secret on the card that has never been told to anyone else.

Warren says that most of the cards come from young to middle aged adults, but realizes that everyone benefits from sending these secrets, no matter what difference we may see. "The secrets are all individual, like fingerprints. But they touch on core issues that really tie us into humanity and make us realize that we're not alone, but really connected," Warren said.

Seeing these secrets in one place has helped some people cope with their own secrets. On the website, there are responses from people who have been able to make it through their own hard times by either sending in a card, or simply reading others' secrets. Deborah Casey, a protestant campus minister with United Campus Ministry at Mansfield University, thinks that sending in a secret can be a very important step, but it is only the beginning. "When these people write these things down, they actually have to spell them out and come to terms with them. But it is important to also find a trustworthy friend and seek help and accountability," Casey said.

Elizabeth Shaffer, who works for the Advocacy Center at Mansfield University, also feels that Post Secrets can be a positive thing, especially for victims of sexual violence. "These are secrets because these people don't feel like they have a voice anymore," Shaffer said. "Being able to speak or write this secret will help them validate their experience."

In any case, what Frank Warren has created is helping people. Whether he did it out of the goodness of his heart or for his own 15 minutes is debatable. In a world with a pop culture where the only thing people see is faultless stars on TV and judgments being handed out like candy, at least there is someplace that people can go and see that we are all still humans, and all still tied together by that simple fact.

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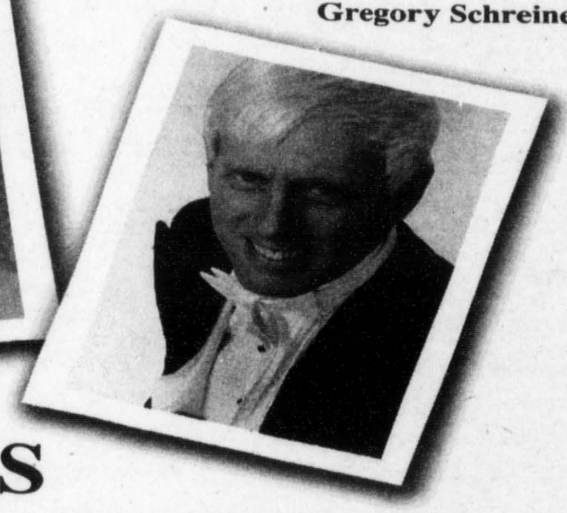

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Game Review: "Crackdown" great game in co-op mode

By TOBY MOTYKA
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

After the initial success of Grand Theft Auto 3 and the following sequels on Playstation 2 and Xbox, every video game developer in the business has tried their own version of the game. While some have done a nice job capturing the feel of Rockstar's game series, none have created something unique enough to stand out from the competition. In February Microsoft released "Crackdown" amidst a lot of hype, and it turns out that hype was more than justified.

When trying to think of what this game might be like, just imagine Grand Theft Auto with superheroes on Human Growth Hormone and horse steroids. The characters are not natural human beings but genetically enhanced agents. Initially, your powers won't seem that great, but as you continue to collect orbs around the city and use your skills, you'll find yourself jumping on rooftops, driving up walls and throwing gasoline trucks into crowds of helpless gangsters. It's a lot of fun to have what seems like limitless power and nice to see a game reward you for your efforts by constantly upgrading your character.

As the agents go, you have your pick of about ten. Unfortunately the difference is only in appearance. I found no difference between the agents when switching things up.

"Crackdown' is a step in the right direction for 'Grand Theft Auto' clones everywhere..."

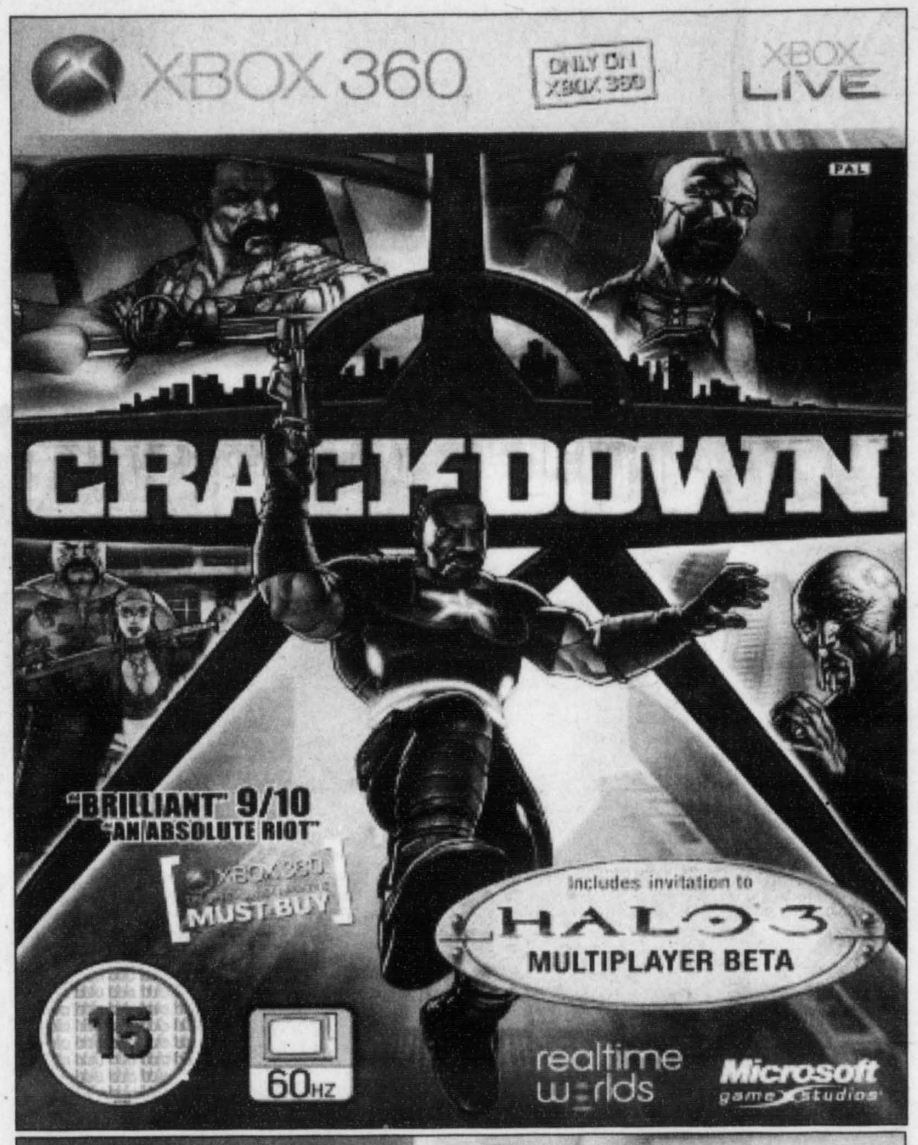
If you have one agent's stats maxed out but are playing as another for the first time, that agent will be maxed out as well. I was a little disappointed that each agent didn't have a specific specialty, but it's a minor complaint overall.

The world of "Crackdown" is pretty big, consisting of three separate islands, each play home to one of three gangs in the city. The objective of the game is to clean up the streets by eliminating all 21 bosses. As you eliminate bosses, the forces around each gang's kingpin get noticeably weaker, eventually giving you ample opportunity to clean up the streets. Unfortunately, none of these battles feel particularly epic or varied. The bosses themselves just have a lot of health and a lot of cronies surrounding them to make life difficult for you.

Despite my minor complaints, "Crackdown" is all about running around and having fun. There are rooftop and road races set up around the city to keep players entertained. There are also stunt markers floating around in the sky for you to drive through. While you can probably beat all 21 bosses in a matter of a few hours, the real fun of the game lies within running around and wreaking havoc on massive amounts of people. My friend and I spent time standing in front of traffic shooting out the front tires of speeding cars, sending them flipping into the ocean below. No, we don't have lives, but if you don't find that appealing in any way then you probably wouldn't be reading this article.

If you have a friend who owns the game and also has a subscription to Xbox Live, then you must buy this game. As a single player experience, it gets old quickly. When racing your friend around the rooftops while shooting rockets at trash-talking gangsters on the streets below, you'll find yourself laughing and enjoying yourself more than any cooperative game that I can remember playing.

All in all, "Crackdown" is a step in the right direction for "Grand Theft Auto" clones everywhere, but is still best enjoyed with a friend. You'll know what I'm talking about when you kick your first unsuspecting buddy off the top of the highest building in the city, listening to him cry about it the whole way down. More fun than "Grand Theft Auto" ever was, just not as long and not as deep, "Crackdown" will more than satisfy any gamer looking for a good time.



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Those that preordered "Crackdown" were given an invitation to the Halo 3 multiplayer beta test which begins this Spring.

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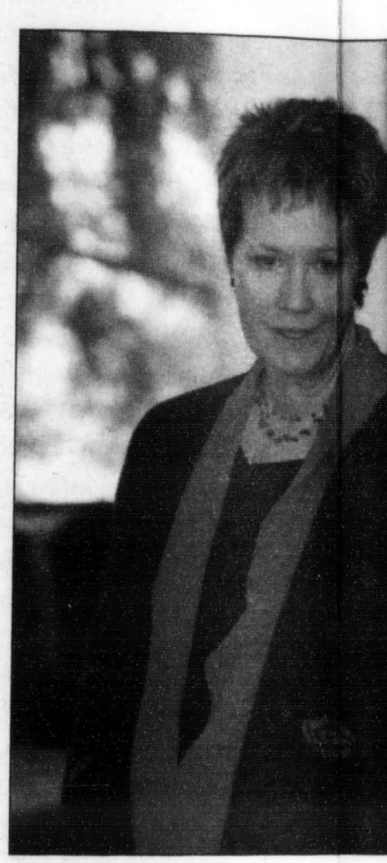

Friday, March 23

5-7 p.m. Dinner/Dance for Students
Main Manser Hall/The Hut
The Jazz combo will play during dinner followed by live music with Under Escape

Saturday, March 24

8 p.m. Mansfieldians Concert
Steadman Theatre
A commnity event with 250 seats reserved for Mansfield University alumni.

Sunday, March 25

2:30 p.m. "Hollywood Revisited"
Steadman Theatre
A concert presented by the Wellsboro Community Concert Series.

7:30 p.m. "Peter and the Wolf"
Steadman Theatre
The Mansfield University Brass Quintet is featured while President Maravene Loeschke narrates.

Monday, March 26

12 - 4 p.m. A Global Fair
307 Alumni Student Center
Poster and artifact displays of countries visited by mem bers of the campus community.

Jennifer Armstrong will present "Four Cinderellas," which is four different versions of the classic "rags to riches" tale. There is a Scottish version about a young boy who wishes to play the bagpipes but his two stepbrothers tell him his hands are too rough and he must tend the sheep instead. Also, there is a hybrid Eastern European version consisting of "magic bones and helpful birds" assist Mara in finding her happy ending.

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Tuesday, March 27
2-4 p.m. Reception Honoring Faculty & Staff
North Manser Hall

7 p.m. Tissa Hami
Straughn Hall
Standup comic presented by the Women's Studies Program.

Wednesday, March 28
7 p.m. Jennifer Armstrong
Straughn Hall
The nationally recognized storyteller will present "Four Cinderellas."

Thursday, March 29
7:30 p.m. Inaugurual Concert
Steadman Theatre
Featuring conductors Adam Brennan, Peggy Detwiler and Kenneth Sarch.
Including a premiere by Adam Brennan in honor of the Sesquicentennial.

Friday, March 30
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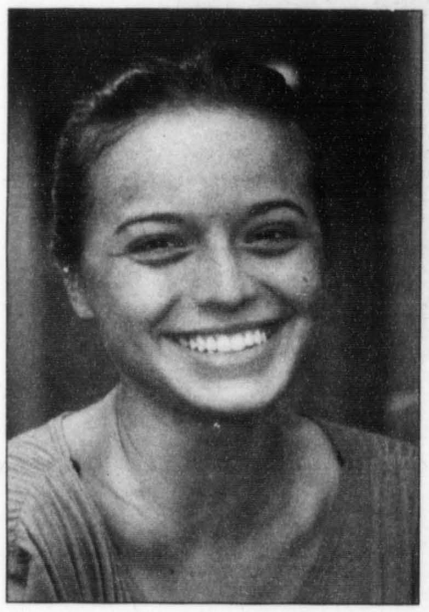


Sharing secrets with a stranger

This week when I was trying to decide what to write my editorial about I was inspired by one of the articles that is running on page six of this weeks issue.

So this editorial may seem a bit redundant but I really don't care. I think that Post Secret is one of the most fascinating things in our society today.

As the article says, Post Secret was started by Frank Warren in his hometown and quickly became a nationwide phenomenon. Post Secret has collected over 100,000 anonymous postcards from across the United States.

The postcards, which are actually more like pieces of art than a simple card, are displayed on the every Sunday at postsecret.com. Three books have been published of the postcards and exhibits have gone up across the country.

This summer I was able to go see an exhibit of the postcards in Reading, PA and it was one of the most moving things I've seen.

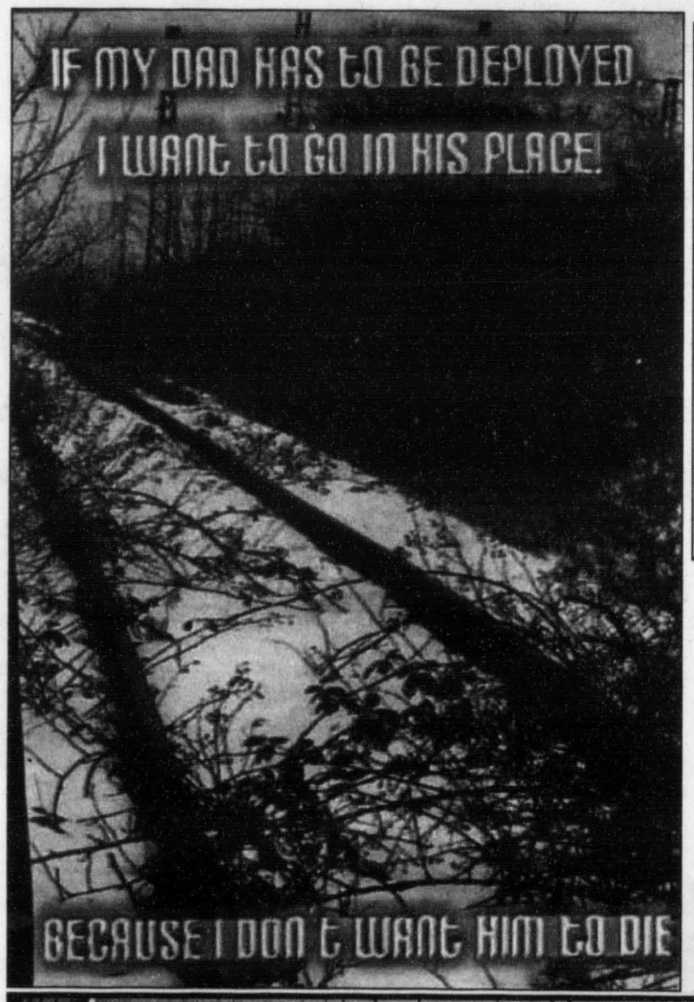
It seems odd to be interested in what could be other peoples deepest and darkest secrets, but that exhibit and the website is one of the most interesting things I've seen.

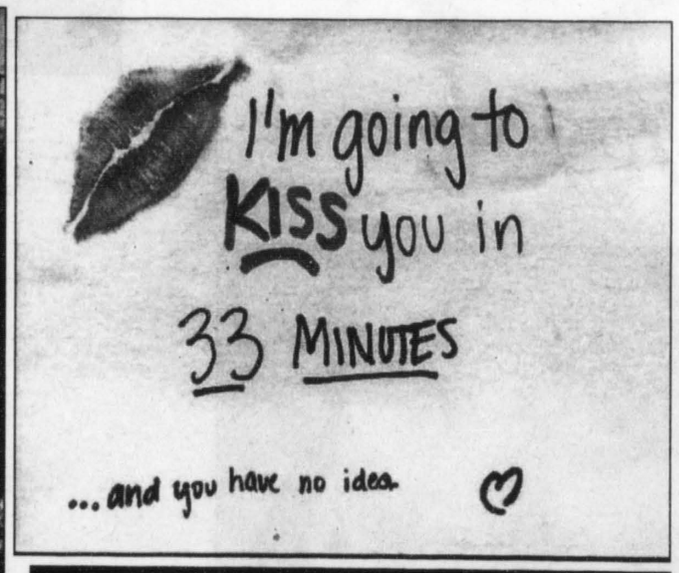
It's also a little odd that people seem so comfortable with telling a complete stranger their secrets, isn't that what having a best friend is for? But sometimes, best friends still judge- and that is the beauty of telling a perfect stranger.

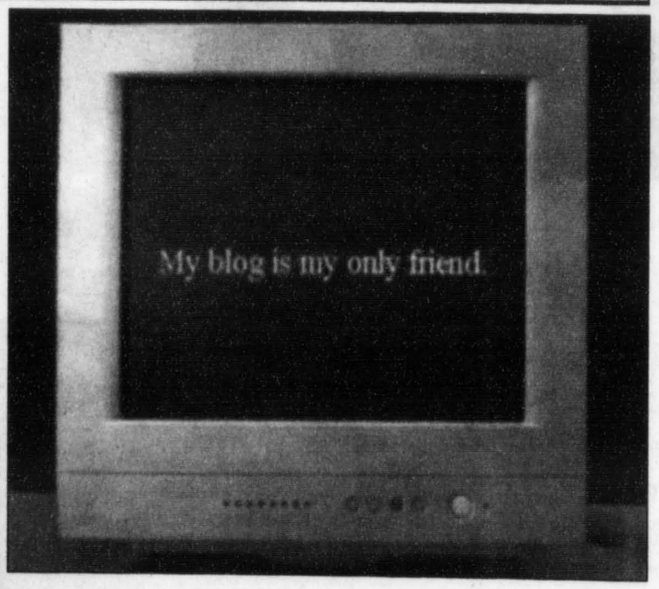
Frank Warren may judge you, but you'll never know it and you'll still feel some relief because you were able to tell that secret. Writing that secret down will also make you face it and deal with it, so maybe you will be able to change it.

The secrets can be about anything, a confession, funny experience, fears, beliefs, childhood- it doesn't have to be life changing, even though they often are. Even if you're not comfortable sending a secret in, looking at the website is definitely worthwhile.

Here are a few of the more recent postcards that I found to be interesting.







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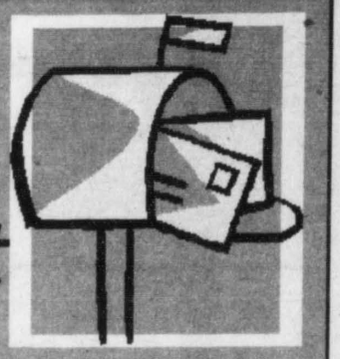

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	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6a-8a		Monday Morning Mix					
8a-10a		Monday Morning Mix (6-9)					
10a-12p							
12p-2p					SGA Broadcast		Mountie Sports (1-5)
2p-4p		Kristy Bramm		SGA Broadcast	The Mix Tape Show		Mountie Sports (1-5)
4p-6p			Emo with Erock	We Interrupt this Program	Michelle and Danelle		Mountie Sports (1-5)
6p-8p	The Shoutout Show			Mountie Sports (7-9)			
8p-10p	The Combover Show	Connie and Kate	Time Warp	Mountie Sports (7-9)	The Last Ride		
10p-12a	The Show With No Name	Monday Mix	Guilty Pleasures	Double Shot Wednesdays	Ready, Set, Rock!		Super Cheese Late Nights
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Solution to last weeks crossword puzzle

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How well do you know "Goodfellas"?

Answer the questions below to find out

1. What does Jimmy love to do most?
A. Steal
B. Gamble
C. Kill
D. Drink

2. Who does NOT get killed in the movie?
A. Carbone
B. Tommy
C. Jimmy
D. Billy Bats

3. How long are Henry and Paulie sentenced to jail?
A. Henry-5, Paulie -2
B. Henry -10, Paulie- 2
C. Henry- 15, Paulie- 3
D. Henry-10, Paulie -1

4. When Henry's wife gets pushed around by the guy across the street, what does Henry beat him with?
A.Bat
B.Gun
C.Fist
D.Pipe

5. What is Henry's mistresses name?
A. Joanne Roman
B. Rose Marie
C. Anne Marie
D. Janie Rossi

6. How do Henry and Jimmy threaten the guy in tampa that owes them money?
A. Drown em'
B. Feed em' to the lions
C. Bring em' to the boss
D. Light em' on fire

7. What kind of cigarettes is little Henry telling Tommy to get out of the trunk right before he gets arrested?
A. Pall Malls
B. Camels
C. Newports
D. Lucky Strikes

8. What does Henry do to avoid getting killed by the people he ratted out?
A. Kills them
B. Kills himself
C. Joins a protection program
D. Moves out of the country

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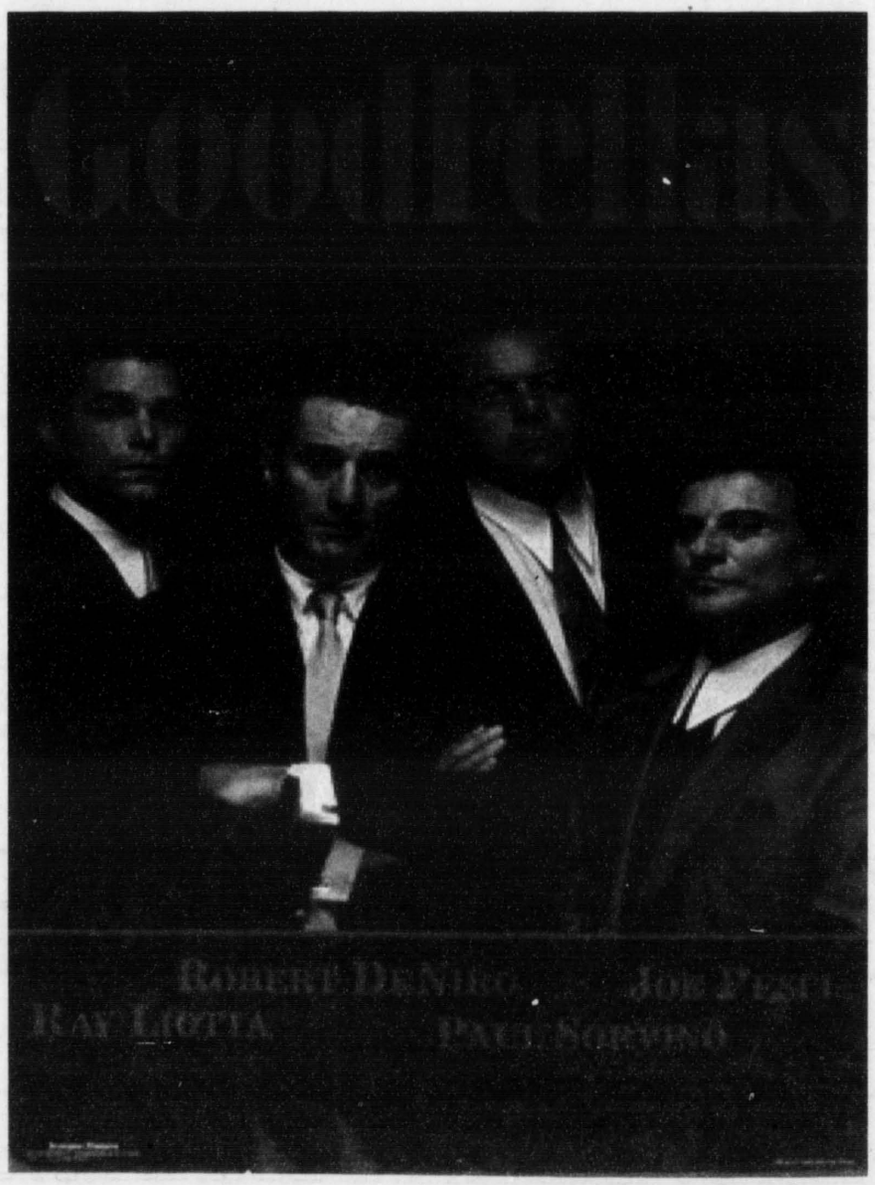

On the sidelines with Katrina Brumfield: High Jumper and sprinter

BY CARL FREDERICK
Flashlight Co-Sports Editor

Katrina Brumfield is a key member to a Mansfield Track & Field team that is on the rise. She is one the top high jumpers in what is a competitive field in the PSAC. I was able to sit down with Brumfiled where we talked about track, her family and her goals.

Carl Frederick: What year are you and what is your major?
Katrina Brumfield: I am a Junior Public Relations major.

CF: Why did you choose your major?
KB: It is fun and I have a chance to be around sports.

CF: Where are you from?
KB: I am originally from Cleveland, Ohio, but I currently reside in Chester Springs, Pennsylvania.

CF: What made you decide to attend Mansfield University?
KB: I loved the program, from Coach Rohl to all the teammates I first met, I loved everything about it.

CF: When did you start running track?
KB: In fifth grade I joined a club team.

CF:What interests you in track?
KB: I love the excitement, my brothers got me into it when I was young. There is something for everybody in track.

CF: What motivates you during the season?
KB: My family motto is to keep a positive mental attitude. My teammates also do a great job and pushing me to do my best.

CF: How do you prepare for each meet?
KB: I go over a game plan with my coach and then I try to stay focused and quiet, throughout the meet. I don't like to have any distractions.

CF: What are your goals for this upcoming outdoor season?
KB: I really want to qualify for nationals. I did in indoors and I know that the competition is very tough. This is something that I really want to do.

CF: What is the team's expectations?
KB: We want to win the CTC' Outdoor Championship. We have been working very hard and we believe we can do it.

CF: What was the Myrtle Beach experience like?
KB: It was amazing, the facilities were incredible. It was also fun running in the beautiful weather that we had down there.

CF: What coach has helped you?
KB: My family has helped me get to where I am today, without them I wouldn't be where I am today.

CF: Do you have any professional role models?
KB: I always looked up to Florence Griffith Joyner until she died. Of course I can't forget about Carl Lewis and all of his achievements.

CF: What is your favorite sport besides track?
KB: Football, I love everything about it. My family loves it, you are not a Brumfield unless you love football.

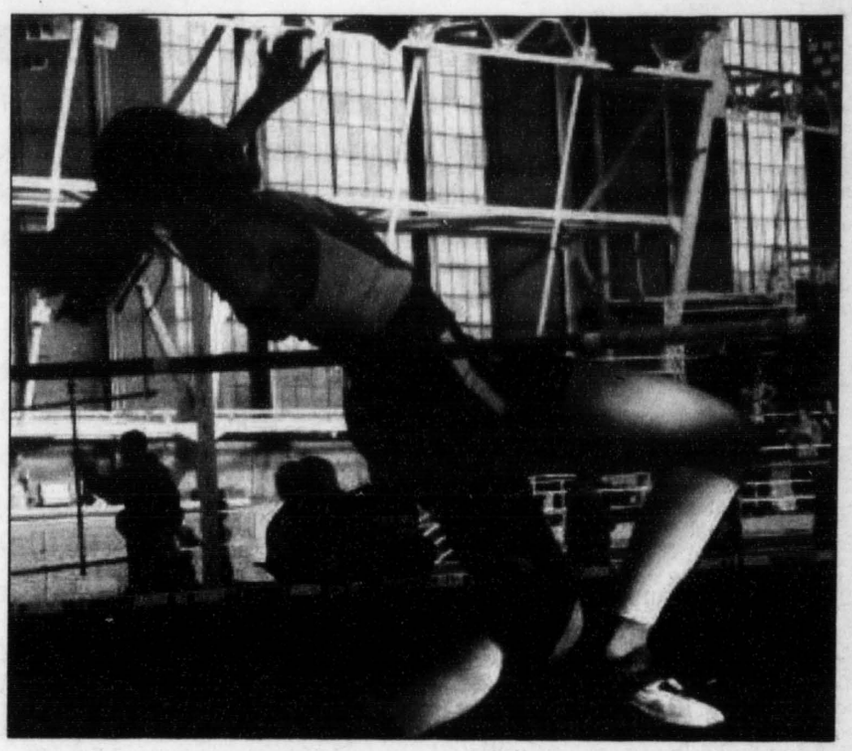

PHOTO FROM SPORTS INFORMATION
Junior high jumper Katrina Brumfield is expecting big things not only for herself, but for the entire Mansfield track and field team. She believes that with all of the hard work and dedication they have all put in, both her and the teams goals can be achieved.

CF: How do you keep yourself in shape over the off-season?
KB: I run in summer track meets and I play a lot of pick up basketball games.

CF: Are there any quotes that you go by?
KB: Positive Mental Attitude, that is what I go by.

Do You Know What These Four People Have In Common?

George Harrison
The Beatles

Yul Brynner
Actor

Walt Disney
Entrepreneur

Jacqueline Kennedy
Onassis
Former First Lady

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Big Fred on Sports: From 64 to 16, with not as many suprises, the entertainment and adrenaline rush are still very much there

CARL FREDERICK
Flashlight Co-Sports Editor

If you remember at this point last year, March Madness wad definitely living up to it's name. George Mason nearly shocked the world and Florida proved that they were clearly better than their seeding.

Through the first two rounds of this year's tournament, we have yet to see a major upset. I suppose you can consider seven seeded UNLV defeating number two seed Wisconsin an upset, but compared to what we are use to seeing, this isn't too shocking.

So far all of the number one seeds have advanced, three of the number two and three seeds have survived along with one four seed. The seventh seeded UNLV Running Rebels were the highest team to advance to the round of 16, a position that they haven't experienced since the 1991 season.

Even though there hasn't been too many upsets, the tournament has still had it's fair share of entertainment.

If you didn't see the Ohio State-Xavier game, then you missed a thriller. Ohio State may be thanking the basketball gods right now for that victory. Think about it, if Greg Oden gets called for a flagrant foul (like he should of been) the game is over. But he isn't Xavier misses the second free throw attempt and Ron Lewis comes down the length of the court and drills a game tying three-pointer. Ohio State took over in overtime and survived that round.

In other action the Florida Gators continued to struggle with teams they shouldn't with the eight seeded Purdue Boilermakers giving them a run for their money. Florida was able to pull out the victory over a team that many people thought didn't belong in the dance. That's the beauty of the tournament, on any given day any team can shock the world.

Florida has the same team that won the national title a year ago, but they don't seem to have the same fire. It really seems that they get bored and make games more challenging than they should be. Don't be surprised if they aren't cutting the nets down again this year.

In what is another fun story, the number five seeded Tennessee Volunteers have advanced for the first time since the 2000 season. Head Coach Bruce Pearl has brought the Volunteers back and along with talented point guard Chris Lofton, they certainly have a chance.

One team that you have to look out for is Texas A&M. They were able to squeak by a strong Louisville squad who clearly had the home crowd behind them. A&M's guard Acie Law is one the most overlooked players in the nation and loves to have the basketball in the final minute.

The tournament resumes play Thursday, my final four picks go as so:

Midwest Region- Florida

West Region- Kansas

South Region- Texas A&M

East Region- Georgetown

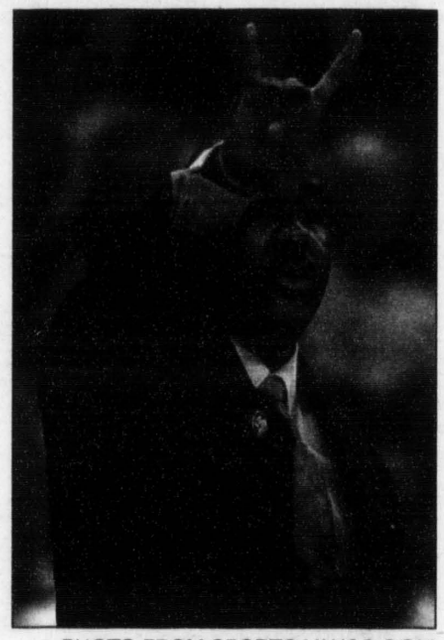


PHOTO FROM SPORTS.YAHOO.COM
Georgetown Coach John Thompson III and his Hoyas will be cutting down the nets thiis season.

Georgetown will then defeat the Aggies, along with Kansas taking down the national champs. And your 2007 national champion will be the Georgetown Hoyas, putting smiles on the faces on the entire Ewing family.

Sexual violence is primarily a crime of power and control. Know the facts. According to the National Sexual Violence Resource Center, 2005:

- Sexual violence is predominately a gendered crime with 95 percent of dating violence and 85-95 percent of child sexual abuse perpetrated by males.
- One in four girls and one in six boys will be sexually assaulted by the age of 18.
- In eight out of ten rape cases, the victim knew the perpetrator.
- The cost of rape and sexual assault, excluding child sexual assault, per criminal victimization is $87,000 per year. For the victim, the average rape or attempted rape costs $5,100 in tangible, out-of-poket expenses.

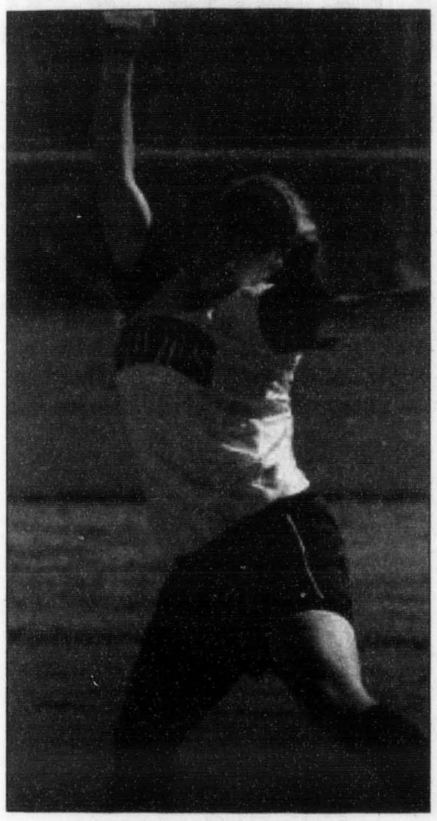
If you or someone you know has been sexually victimized please call 570-724-3549 or 1-800-550-0447 to speak with an advocate

Mansfield softball gets season off to slow start on the road

Girls show significant improvement with two wins near end of week

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University softball team saw their first action on the softball field over spring break. While their record does not show it, the Mountaineers made great improvements in the 11 games they played.



SPORTS INFORMATION
Shelly Forsburg pitched her way to the all-tournament team for her performance in Georgia. The junior pitched three complete games in just three days time, picking up

The week did not get off to a great start as the Mountaineers lost to 15th ranked Francis Marion 15-7. Mansfield took an early 2-0 lead in the first inning when Shana Markwis scored on a bases loaded walk and Kristina Poore scored on a passed ball. The lead didn't last long as Francis Marion picked up three runs in the bottom of the inning. The Mountaineers came right back with two runs each in the second and third innings. In the second, Markwis singled to lead off the inning followed by a walk from Poore. Jessica Christ hit a single to drive in Markwis. Poore would score on an error by the catcher. In the third, Whitney Brown hit a two run double, driving in Gabriella Carullo and Katie McConville. This was the closest Mansfield got as Francis Marion scored in every inning to put the game out of reach.

The games didn't get any easier for Mansfield as they took on the 10th ranked team in the country, Lenoir-Rhyne. The Mountaineers couldn't get much going on offense as the only hit was a leadoff double by Markwis.

The Mountaineers took the loss 18-0. "This was our first weekend on the field. These teams have all played 20-25 games already this season. It's hard to compete with teams like that your first days on the field," head coach Edith Gallagher said.

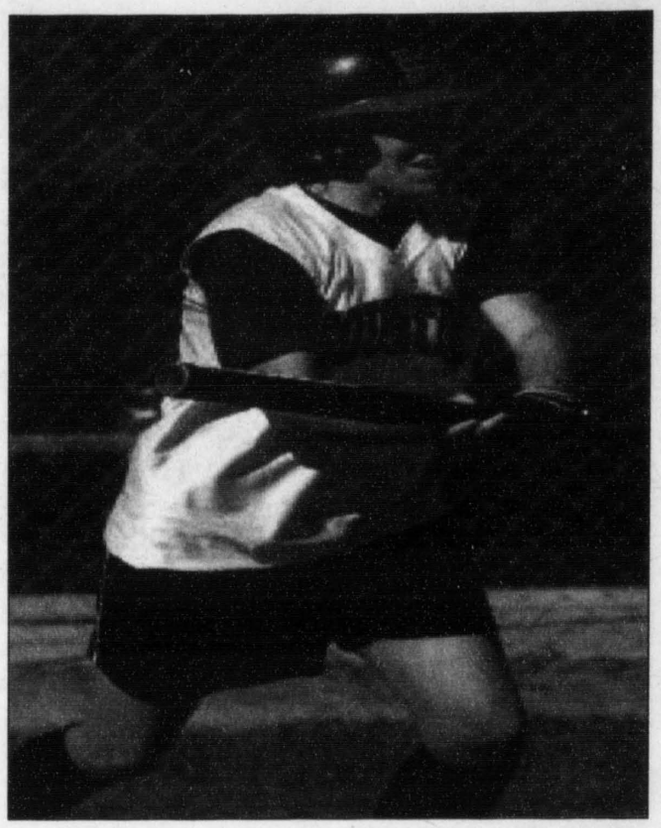
The Mountaineers got their first win of the season in their eighth game in a 3-0 win against Hood College. Michelle Forsburg threw a two hit gem and helped her cause with a two run homer. Mansfield took a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the third when Markwis led off with a triple and was driven in on a single by Carullo. In the bottom of the fifth, Poore got things started with a double and Forsburg gave herself a cushion with her two run homer.

"We did a good job of getting better everyday we were on the field. Our offense and defense really improved throughout the week," Gallagher said.

The Mountaineers picked up their second win of the season the next day with a 7-2 win over Chowan. Jessica Christ and Whitney Brown paced the Mountaineer offense with two doubles a piece and a combined three RBI.

Michelle Forsburg picked up her second win of the season allowing only four hits. "Our bats started to come alive the last two days of the trip. I'm also really happy with our team chemistry. When your losing, you really have to come together to get things turned around. This has been our area of greatest improvement," coach Gallagher said.

The Mountaineers finished spring break with a 2-9 record and will play in Salem, Virginia on March 24 and 25. The Mountaineers come home for their first PSAC game March 31 against Millersville.



SPORTS INFORMATION
Whitney Brown is off to a solid start this season, enjoying one of the best games of her Mountaineer career against Chowan University. For the game, Brown had two doubles and two RBI.

With their 2-9 record, Mansfield currently has the worst record in the PSAC East, though their hard opening schedule played a big roll in their early struggles. The Millersville Marauders currently sit at 6-5, which is good for fourth in the PSAC East.

Hopefully the Mountaineers can reverse last year's trend, where they got off to a 14-3 start before stumbling in conference play. Mansfield won just one of four meetings with the Marauders last season, with the lone win being a 6-5 home victory on April 15.

Dann, Gray shine for Track & Field in first outdoor meet of season:

Gray sets the school record in both the discus and shot put

Mike Gray was impressive in all of his events at the Shamrock invite but was most impressive in the discus. The freshman tossed the disc 155 feet-five inches, a new Mansfield school record, and a distance further than anyone in the PSAC has thrown in the last two outdoor seasons. Gray finished sixth in the discus.

Gray also threw a career best in the shot put tossing the shot 50 feet-six inches, out-throwing all Division II competition and finishing second to only one Division I athlete.

The throws weren't enough for Gray however, as he returned in the triple jump. The lanky freshman qualified for finals with a jump of 43 feet-seven inches and finished seventh.

Dann continues her streak of impressive performances. Coming off an indoor season where she was only beaten by Division II competition within the PSAC, she sprinted into form to open the outdoor season with a win in the 800. Dann beat out a primarily Division I field with her time of 2:19.89.

Dann's performance should come as a surprise to nobody after a stellar showing during the indoor track season. She set personal and school records en route to being named to the all PSAC track and field team.

The Mountaineers got a school record performance in the 4x200 when Amanda Fedish, Katrina Brumfield, Marisa Fronczkiewicz, and Erica Ferguson combined to run 1:46.57.

Jessica Wagner, Jess Lown, Clarissa Correll, and Nicole Dann teamed up to set a school record in the Distance Medley relay with a time of 12:44.

Katrina Brumfield also placed for the Mountaineers picking up a fifth place finish in the high jump with a clearance of 5'3" while Amanda Fedish qualified for the PSAC Championships in the 100 with a time of 12.98 seconds.

Chris Greene jumped a personal best 41'7" in the triple jump in his first meet with the Mountaineers. The basketball star looks promising in the jumps as Mansfield enters the outdoor season.

The Mountaineers return to the track on April 7th at the PSAC East meet at Millersville University.

Mansfield Outdoor Track & Field Schedule

APRIL

7 PSAC East @ Millersville
13-14 Bison Open @ Bucknell *
21-22 CTC Outdoor Championships @ DeSales
26-28 Penn Relays @ Franklin Field - Philadelphia *
29 Big Red Invite @ Cornell

MAY

4-5 PSAC Championships @ Shippensburg *
12 NYC Qualifying Challenge @ Icahn Stadium - NYC
12 ICAAAA @ New York City *
18 BW Twilight Meet @ Baldwin Wallace - Ohio *

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Mansfield Baseball finishes long road trip in Florida 4-8

Dave Meldrum stars at the plate registering two home runs and 15 RBI'S

By TOBY MOTYKA
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

The Mansfield Mountaineer baseball team started slowly, but finished strong during their eight day trip to Florida to open the 2007 season.

After an 8-1 win against Stonehill College to start the season, the Mountaineers lost six consecutive games, giving up an average of over twelve runs per game over that time frame. The games were all against difficult opponents including Saginaw Valley State, North Dakota, Wayne State and ninth ranked Central Missouri.

The Mountaineers rebounded from the losses well, going on a three game win streak over a two day period. The pitching was much improved during the win streak, allowing an average of only three runs per game.

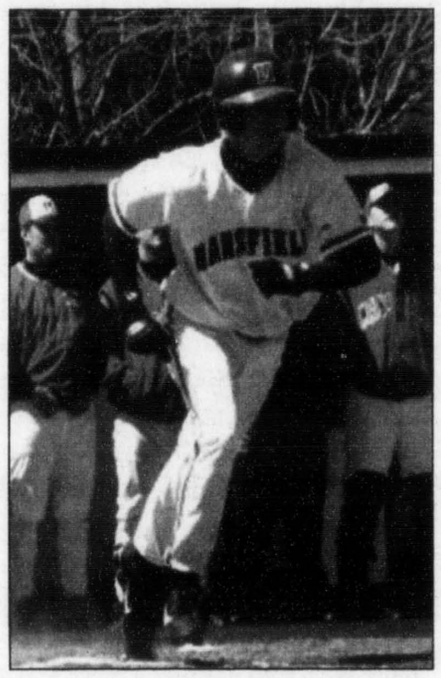
The offense for the Mountaineers was impressive throughout the road trip. Mansfield scored fewer than three runs just once, that being against a nationally ranked Central Missouri team.

Dave Meldrum was the star on offense for Mansfield, finishing the first twelve games of the season hitting at a .375 clip. He was also Mansfield's most prolific power hitter and run producer, hitting two homeruns while driving in fifteen of his fellow Mountaineers.

Meldrum is just one of 11 Mansfield hitters currently hitting at .300 or better. Pre-season all-American pick Ryan Wyland is hitting .319 while leading the team in runs scored, doubles and triples.

The Mountaineers were scheduled to play their first regular season home game on Sunday, Mar. 18 against Bryant, but had their plans put on hold by mother nature. They were prepared to play their first PSAC crossover contest on Tuesday, Mar. 20 at Slippery Rock, but that game was also postponed.

Weather permitting, Mansfield will make their debut north of the Mason-Dixon line on Saturday, April 20 at Shippensburg.



SPORTS INFORMATION
Pre-season All-American Ryan Wyland hasn't dissapointed early in the season, delivering with both his bat and his arm to help Mansfield win four games in Florida.

Mountaineer season results (through 3/20)

- Mansfield 8, Stonehill 1 (3/8)
- Saginaw Valley St. 15, Mansfield 3 (3/9)
- Saginaw Valley St. 9, Mansfield 6 (3/10)
- North Dakota 19, Mansfield 10 (3/11)
- North Dakota 8, Mansfield 6 (3/11)
- Wayne State 12, Mansfield 4 (3/12)
- Central Missouri 10, Mansfield 1 (3/12)
- Mansfield 12, Charleston 2 (3/14)
- Mansfield 9, Charleston 6 (3/14)
- Mansfield 4, Minnesota-Duluth 1 (3/15)
- Minnesota Duluth 11 Mansfield 7 (3/15)
- Ashland 22, Mansfield 17 (3/16)

Coming up in Mountie Sports

Mar. 18	19	20 Baseball: 1 p.m. @ Slippery Rock	21	22	23	24 Baseball: 1 p.m. @ Shippensburg Softball: @ West Virginia Weslyan Tournament
25 Baseball: 1 p.m. vs Shippensburg	26	27	28	29	30 Baseball: 1 p.m. vs West Chester	31 Baseball: 1 p.m. @ West Chester Softball: 3 p.m. vs Millersville

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Today's Weather
Sunny

High- 49°F
Overnight Low- 25°F

Information taken from weather.com

Mansfield University offers leadership minor for developing professionals

By REBECCA HAZEN
Flashlight Writer

A new minor in leadership studies will be available to Mansfield University students starting in the fall of 2007.

The new minor will provide students with an opportunity to study, apply and synthesize interdisciplinary perspectives of leadership.

It will help students in many aspects, such as understanding the theory and practice of leadership, gaining an understanding of their potential and styles of leadership, communicating effectively and learning to lead effectively in a variety of situations.

The motivation for making a leadership minor available is that leadership is the heart of the Mansfield University experience, and it is a part the Mansfield Creed, stating that "At Mansfield University, we develop leaders." It is also a part of President Loeschke's vision for the university's unique identity.

Dr. Dennis Murray, head of the Psychology Department, is coordinating the minor. "The minor is part of the effort to recognize leadership development as a critical part of what it means to get a Mansfield University education. Students should think of themselves as emerging leaders; that's what a liberal arts based education should do," Murray said.

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> ~Dr. Dennis Murray

The leadership minor requires 21 credit hours and it can be paired with and enhance any major on campus. The curriculum includes six credit hours in core courses, three credit hours in communication courses, three credit hours in group or organizational process and three credit hours in ethics. Two elective courses in addition are needed to complete the minor.

Murray believes that students will have a large amount of interest in the minor. "We did a survey on campus in anticipation of offering the minor and received a very high expression of interest," Murray said. "I believe many students will find this an attractive way to supplement their major programs of study and enhance both their leadership abilities and their credentials when seek employment or further education."

Classes that are required and can be taken include: Introduction to Leadership Studies, Leadership Seminar, Persuasion, Organizational Behavior, Introduction to Small Group Processes and Environmental Ethics.

A leadership minor can be an advantage to anyone who seeks it. "Leadership studies are important because they help students better discover how they can be more effective in working with others to advance shared visions for achieving common goals," Murray said.

Mansfield University students have opportunity to take part in honoring outstanding teachers

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Writer

Two new awards will be presented to outstanding Mansfield University faculty members this semester and students will have a say in who receives both awards.

The awards will be given for outstanding academic advising and for best first-year teacher at Mansfield.

Dr. Michael Renner, the provost at Mansfield, is excited about the new awards. "In my two years that I've been here, the amazing job that our teachers do has become more and more obvious. We need to do a better job of recognizing the job people are doing," Renner said.

The first year experience award will be given to a full-time faculty or tenure-track faculty that teaches classes which students take their first year. The teachers will be nominated by the students. Students have to give an explanation as to why this teacher should win the award. The nomination will then be given to the teacher, who has to fill out an application demonstrating some of the work they have done in teaching their first year classes.

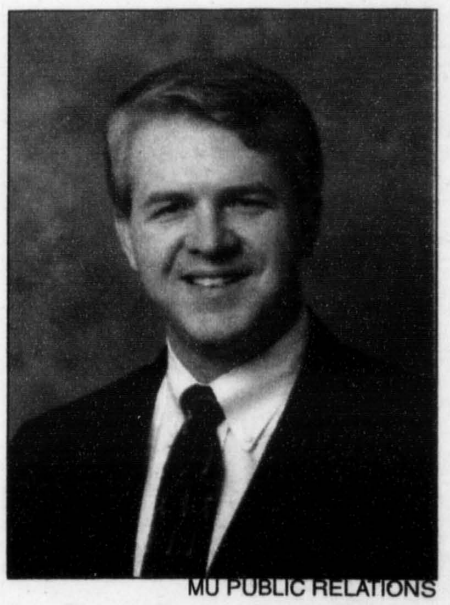
"We wanted to do something to recognize these first year teachers because some students have gaps and aren't as prepared for college as they could be. These classes are important and we wanted to recognize these teachers for that," Renner said. "We should appreciate the results that teachers get out of their students."

The second award will be given for outstanding advising. Some of the qualities that will be looked at for this award will be how much the advisor is available to the students, building a strong relationship with the students and to monitor the progress of the students throughout the semester so they can meet all the goals that they set to achieve. The process for picking the winner of the advising award will be the same as the first year experience award.

The winners will receive a plaque and a $500 fund to be used for academic purposes and also $500 dollars for the department of the winners. There will be up to three winners for each award.

"It is just an accomplishment for the teacher just to be nominated. We want to support excellence and recognize when good things are happening and to encourage people to keep up the great work," Renner said.

Nominations are due by April 4 and can be picked up in the library or done on the Mansfield University web page.



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Dr. Michael Renner wants outstanding faculty members to be recognized for excellence.

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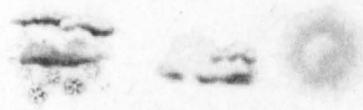

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SGA Update

By FEMI OGUNDELE

Flashlight Writer

This week at Student Government the senate voted to table voting on proposed amendments to the SGA constitution. There was a good amount of discussion regarding an amendment that will raise the GPA requirements in order to run for Student Government President. The amendment was finally tabled and discussion was closed until next week's meeting.

Another amendment dealt with the qualifications of the Student Government advisor. The senate believes the Student Government advisor must be an individual who reports directly to the President of the University. This decision was made on the basis that administration, faculty and students should all work together in order to better Mansfield University. This motion was once again tabled to next week for final voting. Student Government encourages students to come and voice their opinions on issues whenever they feel compelled to do so.

The senate also approved a Committee on Finance allocation to the Spring Fling event. Senate also moved to form a Welcome Week committee to develop programs and promotions for Student Government in the first week of the fall semester. For any questions comments or concerns students are welcomed to stop by the Student Government office where representatives will be available Monday thru Friday between the times of 11 am and 5 p.m. in 319 Alumni Hall.

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

•Mansfield University

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The Frederick Douglass Institute is dedicated to promoting diversity and academic excellence at Mansfield University. Interested students may pick up applications in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center, Alumni Hall Student Center, or at Dr. Lynn Pifer's office, G 04b Belknap Hall. For more information, visit: www.mansfield.edu/FDI/scholarship.htm

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Mansfield University students and faculty get glimpse into future

By REBEKAH BROWN
Special to the Flashlight

The Student Activities Organization (SAO) hosted a psychic fair in Alumni Hall Thursday March 22.

From 11 to 4 p.m., four mediums in room 307 saw over 60 students and faculty members. All four psychics used tarot cards but crystal balls and other devices were also available.

All participants were asked to fill out a slip of paper before they spoke to the psychics. Required information included name, birth date and two questions.

Danelle Miller is a freshman member of SAO who worked at the event. Miller was pleased with the turnout and the experience it yielded. "I enjoyed it. It was something different. It seemed like she [the psychic] knew all about me just by touching the paper," Miller said.

Sophomore Shantee Proctor attended the fair with a question about her future profession. "I think it's cool that you can come to events like this and experience original things on campus," Proctor said. "This is something new for me, but I thought it seemed interesting. I was happy that the psychic confirmed my career choice."

Danielle Litteer was one of the featured clairvoyants. Litteer has been a professional psychic since 1991 and regularly travels throughout Pennsylvania and New York doing shows privately, at psychic fairs, and at colleges. "What is my career going to be?" is the most common question Litteer and the other women are asked and Mansfield was no different.

Litteer has believed in her natural intuitive abilities since she was young. "I was hard-wired since birth," Litteer said. "The talent was present in my great-grandmother, my grandmother and my mother. I chose to develop my discernment."

Litteer considers attending psychic shows a community service. "You have a gift and a talent and this is how you give back to the world," Litteer said. "Anybody can learn to develop his or her abilities and intuitions. Intuition comes first and logic is how you apply it to the world."

Commuter students gather to discuss concerns about various aspects of campus accessibility

By JOSHUA STROHL
Special to the Flashlight

Mansfield commuters meet in the commuter lounge on Mondays and Wednesdays to discuss their concerns and roles at Mansfield University.

Mansfield commuters are meeting to get the attention of the faculty about their concerns. The group is not officially organized but they are coming up with a list of ideas and complaints.

Vinnie Azzarelli is a 23 year old student who commutes from Elmira. "The biggest problem for commuters are teachers who are completely inflexible" Azzarelli said. "There needs to be an understanding that a large part of the students at Mansfield University are commuters and are going to have problems that on campus students don't."

There are several places commuters can spend their time such as the commuter lounge and the commuter labs but Holly Campbell a 23 year old student from Erin, NY would like some other alternatives. "I drive a two hour round trip and spend my day in Mansfield," Campbell said. "I have hours to stall between my classes. It's great when I have work to get done but if I don't it can get boring."

The students are considering creating a more formal group but conflicting schedules are an issue. "The problem with getting commuter student into a formal group is that we are never free at the same time," Azzarelli said. "Imagine trying to get these students here to spend time when they don't have to."

Tinseltown classics come to life in Hollywood Revisited

By LAURA HALL
Flashlight Writer

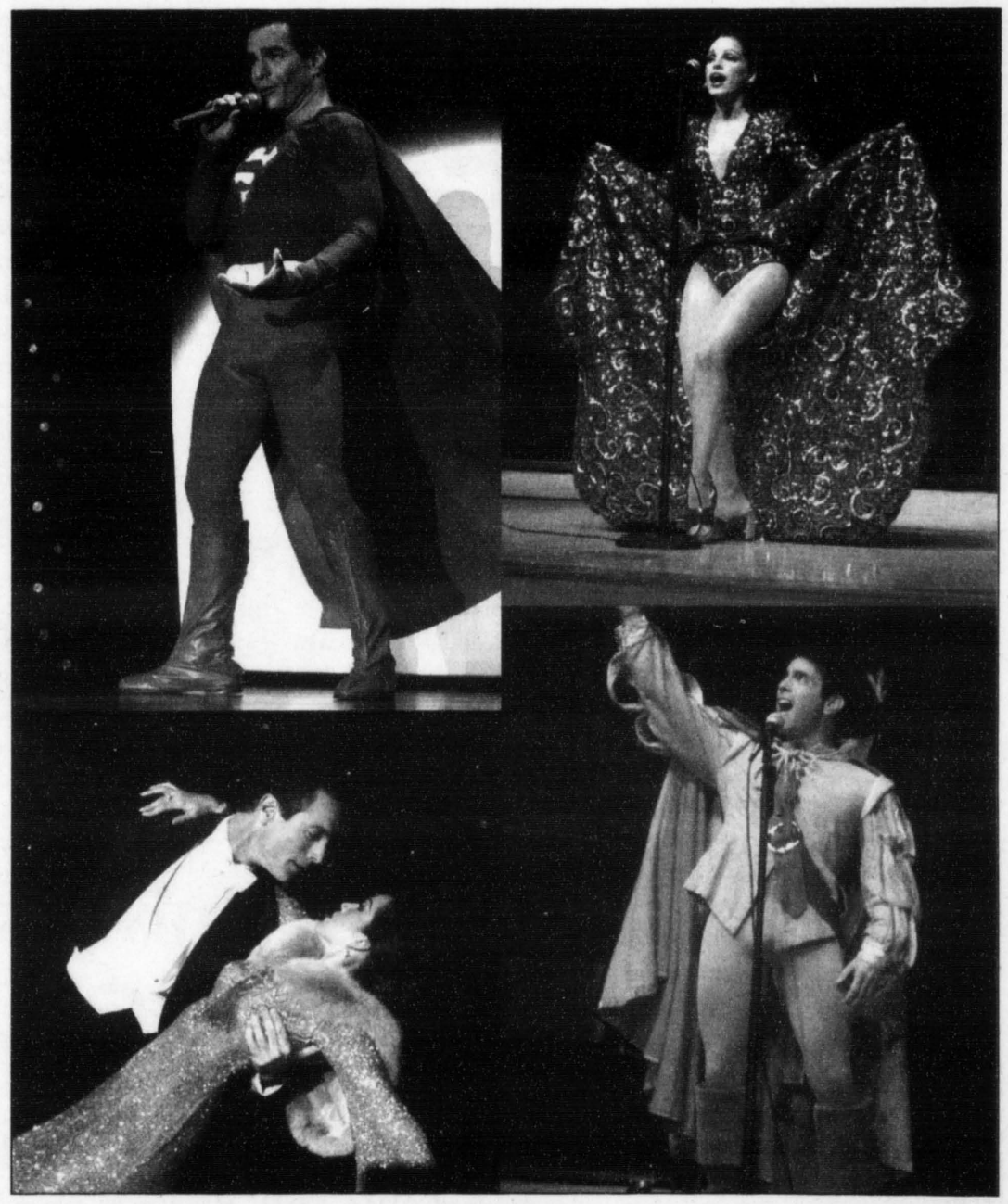
Mansfield University, in conjunction with the Wellsboro Community Concert Association, hosted Hollywood Revisited on Sunday March 25, 2007 in Steadman Theatre as part of President Loeschke's Inauguration Week activities.

Hollywood Revisited is a "tribute in costume and song" to famous Hollywood productions in the 1930s through the 1960s.

Greg Schreiner, pianist, narrator and producer of Hollywood Revisited, loved Hollywood movies when he was a young boy. He moved to California in the late 70s, only to find that the classic Hollywood movies were gone. The only part of the movies that remained was their costumes. Schreiner bought one costume and before he knew it he had over 300 costumes. He needed something to do with them and Hollywood Revisited was born!

Schreiner brought approximately 20 costumes with him, including those worn by Liza Minnelli in "New York, New York;" Miles O'Keeffe in "Tarzan the Ape Man;" Christopher Reeve in "Superman;" Tony Curtis in "Spartacus;" Mae West in "Belle of the Nineties;" Steve Martin in "Pennies from Heaven;" Ginger Rogers in "Lady in the Dark" and "Follow the Fleet" and Fred Astaire, also in "Follow the Fleet".

Schreiner brought two of his actors, Joshua Finkel and Jill Burke, with him to perform in the costumes. He also brought four other costumes that participants from Mansfield University got to wear. Dr. Peggy Dettwiler wore a Julie Andrews Dress from the movie "Darling Lili". Ross Whiting wore Aladdin's costume from "Aladdin and the Magic Lamp". Brady Goldsmith wore Gene Kelly's costume from "The Three Musketeers" and Sarah Best wore Carole Lombard's costume from "No Man of Her Own".



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Mansfield students, faculty and community members enjoyed colorful costumes and songs from Hollywood's past. Mansfield University hosted Hollywood Revisited on Sunday, March 25, 2007.

Cast members also got to sing a song that related to their costume. Schreiner writes the words for the songs, but not the music. The music is sometimes taken from the movie in which the costume appeared. "Deciding on what music to use is always a challenge," Schreiner said.

Sarah Best, a Senior Vocal Major and member of the cast said that Hollywood Revisited was a fun and interesting opportunity that people don't usually get. "I enjoyed the fact that this show is unique in that it is a fashion show, but it's not. It also was great to be able to work with one of my professors as a colleague. [Schreiner, Finkel, and Burke] have many talents and have opened my eyes to new things," Best said.

Sarah Derric, a sophomore Music Education major, was an audience member at the show. "The costumes and the actors in the show were absolutely amazing," Derrick said. "I hope they come back again."

President Loeschke joins brass quintet for 'Peter and the Wolf' as part of inauguration events

By CARRIE GOODYEAR
Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University Brass Quintet performed for a special inauguration week concert at 7:30 p.m. on March 25 in Steadman Theater.

Mansfield Brass Quintet, or MBQ, consists of Dr. Michael Galloway on trumpet, Ben Rochford on trumpet, Dr. Rebecca Dodson-Webster on horn, Mr. Steven McEuen on Trombone and Euphonium and Dr. Nathan Rinnert on Tuba.

The first half of the concert featured the quintet in three different selections. The selections were Galloway's arrangement of Gioachino Rossi's Sinfonia from "La'Italiana in Algeri", Music Hall Suite and The Casbah of Tetuoan.

The second half of the concert consisted of a brass quintet arrangement of Sergei Prokofiev's 'Peter and the Wolf'. Joining MBQ was Dr. Shellie Gregorich on Piano, David Wert on percussion and Dr. Adam F. Brennan conducted the piece.

Dr. Maravene Loeschke narrated 'Peter and the Wolf.' "I narrated 'Peter and the Wolf' 15 years ago at Towson University. It was an honor to be asked to join MBQ as the narrator," Loeschke said.

'Peter and the Wolf' holds a special place in Loeschke's heart. "I received 'Peter and the Wolf' on a record as a gift from my aunt," Loeschke said. "I remember sitting on my floor with the record player listening to it over and over again."

Loeschke had been preparing for the narration for a while. "I've been working with the script, articulation and inflection for about two months," Loeschke said. "However, I could probably recite it from memory because I listened to it so often when I was a child."

David Wert is a junior Music Education major. He was the guest percussionist for 'Peter and the Wolf.' "Being asked to play with MBQ is such an honor and collaborating with the president of the University was amazing," Wert said.

Wert explained the little amount of time the whole ensemble had to put everything together. "We just added Dr. Loeschke, percussion, Dr. Brennan and piano right before spring break," Wert said. "We only had three with the full ensemble."

Wert also said why 'Peter and the Wolf' is so popular. "It's a great piece for all ages," Wert said. "And it's easy listening for people who may not be familiar with classical music."

Social work program set to collaborate with elderly

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University's Social Work Department was a part of a program in which encourages social work students to work with the older generation.

Department chair Dr. Nancy Sidell and social work professor Dr. Janice Purk worked together to apply for the program grant, which is through the Council on Social Work Education's (CSWE) GERO-Ed Center and is supported by the John A. Hartford Foundation. The program is named Curriculum Development Initiative (CDI) and focuses on helping teachers and students infuse geriatric research into the curriculum.

"We want students to be ready to work with the older generation," Sidell said. "By infusing the curriculum it forces students to interact with gerontology," Purk said.

The curriculum that was formed lasted over a three-year period. In the first year the syllabi were reviewed and evaluated, the faculty reviewed the issues of aging, meetings were held with other departments' faculty and community involvement was increased.

In the second year there was a revision of the course materials, aging was added to the syllabi and field manual. There was increased awareness of aging for the faculty through the sharing of information, increased involvement of faculty and students in aging programs in the community. Students and community members gave presentations and careers were included in an aging week.

During the third year of the grant there was an addition of cross-discipline work and there was more student involvement in the aging practice. There was a continued increase of aging projects in the courses, continued community involvement with aging agencies, community and student events were held to increase understanding of aging and careers were included in aging week.

During the fall of 2006, students took Purk for Social Research I. While in her class, the students were placed in groups of 4 to 5. In those groups, students created qualitative questions to interview older persons.

The questions were based on pre-chosen social problems, which were healthcare, environment, rural/ urban change, educational change, child care and child rearing. Purk then approved the questions that the students would ask.

Each student was assigned to interview two senior citizens, aged 75 years or older, who they do not know. The students had to tape record their interview, then write a one page summary of the interview process and what they learned from the data collecting process.

The following semester students took the course Evaluation Research with Sidell. In this course, students had to transcribe the interviews that were completed in Research I. The same groups would be used to find themes and ideas that emerge from the transcribed interview.

Students had to review, analyze data, and write a research paper. An oral presentation will be done to show their findings.

"We have had positive results with the project," Purk said. The classes will remain infused and social work students will be required to learn about gerontology in their major classes.

For students who are interested in gerontology, there is a gerontology minor available.

Mansfield University Sesquicentennial
Time Capsule Project

The Mansfield University History Club is collecting donations for a time capsule to be dedicated this fall during the sesquicentennial celebration of the university.

The club is looking for donations of photos, flyers, T-shirts, writings, and other small items that show what life is like on campus in the year 2007.

All donations can be taken to room 213 Pinecrest Manor Mon.-Fri. between 8 a.m. and noon, as well as 1-4 pm.

If you have any questions please contact Lindsay Rossi for more information at rossila@mountiesmansfield.edu

Mansfield University Events Calendar

Thursday, Mar. 29

Friday, Mar. 30

Music: Ross Whiting, Senior Voice Recital- 7 p.m., Steadman Theatre

Saturday, Mar. 31

Music: Jazz ensemble concert- 8 p.m., Steadman Theatre

Event: SAO Bus trip to Washington D.C., leaves 6 a.m.

Sunday, April 1

Music: Elizabeth Corbett, senior piano recital- 3 p.m., Steadman Theatre.

Monday, April 2

Event: Resumania and mock interview day- 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.AHSC third florr.

Music: Percussion ensemble concert- 8 p.m., Steadman Theatre

Tuesday, April 3

Wednesday, April 4

Event: HRD Wellness Fair- 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., third florr of AHSC

Event: Council of trustees meeting- 7:30-8:30 p.m., North Hall sixth floor community room

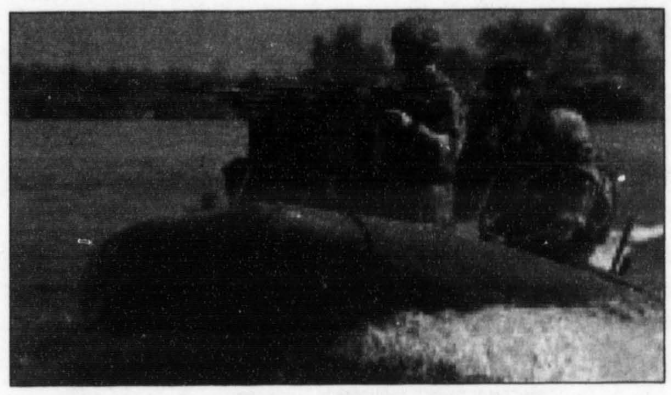
Thursday, April 5

What in the World News in a Flash

By ANDREW OSTROSKI
Flashlight News Co-Editor

WORLD NEWS

LONDON, England- The United Kingdom and Iraqi government are pressuring Iran to safely release fifteen British marines and sailors who were abducted while on patrol. The British military personnel were involved in a boarding party from the HMS Cornwall on the Shatt-Al-Arab, a waterway at the northern end of the Persian Gulf that connects to the Suez Canal. The Iranian government in Tehran insists that the British unit was in Iranian waters when they were arrested. The Cornwall had just stopped a ship in the area that was suspected of smuggling automobiles. Iranian news services reported that the marines and sailors had been taken from the area to the capital in Tehran, where they were questioned for their "aggressive behavior."



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The fifteen British marines and sailors were on patrol just south of the opening of the Suez Canal.

BELFAST, Northern Ireland- A new agreement between the Protestant and Catholic parties in Northern Ireland is one of the most promising treaties for peace to come in the long and bitter conflict. The leaders of the opposing parties, Gerry Adams of the Sinn Fein party, who are Roman Catholic, and Ian Paisley of the Democratic Unionist Party, the Protestant party, met at the Northern Ireland assembly building in Belfast. Paisley had previously refused to meet with Adams, due to Sinn Fein's close connections with the Irish Republican Army, the leading terrorist group in Northern Ireland, and strong denouncers of British rule in Northern Ireland. The IRA has been under a cease-fire since 1997 and said in 2005 that it will no longer attempt to gain power through violence but instead will use political means.

ES SALLAM, Sudan- A United Nations envoy headed by U.N. chief John Holmes visited humanitarian camps in the region, prompting the leader to say that he feared a collapse in humanitarian aid if workers are prevented from doing their jobs. Citing fragility of morale throughout the camps, Holmes stated his worries about the refugees losing the aid workers that are already there. The refugees were forced from their homes due to the fierce fighting between the Sudanese government, the government-supporting janjaweed and rebel factions. Holmes's envoy was turned away from several refugee camps during his travels, raising concerns that aid workers may be treated the same way if they were to attempt to enter the camps. Holmes pledged to take up this issue with the Sudanese government.

WASHINGTON D.C.- President Bush met with leaders of the big three Detroit automakers to discuss the future of hybrid and flex fuel automobiles. Chief executive officers from General Motors, Ford Motor Company,and DaimlerChrysler brought along examples of their bio-friendly cars. All three automakers have said that they intend to double the production of flex-fuel cars and trucks by 2010. Flex fuel vehicles run on ethanol, which is currently only offered at about 1,100 out of 170,000 fueling stations in the United States. General Motors presented a flex-fuel Chevrolet Impala which runs on E85 ethanol, Ford brought a hydrogen cell powered Edge HySeries and DaimlerChrysler showed off a Jeep Grand Cherokee powered by B5 diesel fuel, which is a biodiesel blend fuel.

LOCAL NEWS

INDIANA, Pennsylvania- Authorities at the Indiana County Medical Examiner's Office have confirmed that the cause of death for a 20-year-old student last week was bacterial meningitis. Sara Khirkhah, of Clymer, died last week at the Indiana Regional Medical Center. She had visited the medical center twice in the 18 hours previously, when she first started developing flu-like symptoms. At each visit, she was given pain medication and sent home. Bacterial meningitis is an infection that is passed through saliva and direct fluid contact with a carrier. It is not a direct threat to those who have had casual contact with someone who is stricken, but can be spread through things like sharing utensils and food and beverages. Those who may have come in contact in this manner with Khirkhah will be given antibiotics as a precaution.

TOWANDA, Pennsylvania- Bradford County's methamphetamine production problem and federal funding have become hot topics for debate in the Bradford County Sheriff's race. Challenging Sheriff Steve Evans for the job of county sheriff is Greg Hostettler, who claims that $246,000 received from the federal government to fight meth labs was unjustly accepted and used to purchase global positioning systems for county sheriff's office vehicles. Hostettler also argued that the county sheriff has no jurisdiction fighting drug cases and therefore should not have accepted the federal grant. Evans is passing off Hostettler's comments as political strategy, citing Bradford County's high ranking on the list of counties in Pennsylvania with the most methamphetamine lab incidences.

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Biotechnology may help in solving world hunger

By DAN RYAN
Flashlight Writer

Everyday between 16,000 and 30,000 children around the world die of hunger. In the time it takes to read this article, about 90 children will have perished. This death rate is roughly the equivalent of dropping an atomic bomb on a densely populated area every three days. Too many people are reaching their tipping points in the battle against starvation.

International organizations such as Bread for the World inform people that world hunger is the result of extreme poverty. Today over one billion people live on less than a dollar a day. The United States is the number one provider of foreign aid in terms of the amount of money given to developing nations. In percentage of Gross National Product, the United States comes behind 21 other developed nations by providing less than one tenth of one percent.

The Bush administration has done some work that may offer a glimmer of hope. In 2004, the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) was created to reduce global poverty. President Bush called for $3 billion dollars to go to the MCC when he proposed the budget for the fiscal year 2008 according to usinfo.state.gov (an increase of $1.2 billion from the previous year). In contrast, the war in Iraq costs approximately $104 billion per year.

The root of the problem may lie in the lack of leadership and the unwillingness of our political leaders to address the problem of hunger rather than attack each other. Jim Wallis, a bipartisan Christian leader who is the founder of Sojourner's magazine, has challenged both liberal and conservative politicians to realize that moral issues are not limited to abortion bills and homosexual weddings. "The 30,000 kids who died yesterday of preventable starvation has to be a biblical issue. I find 2,000 verses in my bible about poor people," Wallis said in an interview with John Kasich. "Real solutions must transcend partisan politics."

Assuming the human will can be mustered to feed the famished and political leaders can overcome their differences, the technology being used right now to produce food on a large scale might be not completely safe.

Scientists are making advances in a field called biotechnology. Biotechnology allows farmers to clone livestock and cross genes in plants to produce more food for people below the poverty line in developing nations. The FDA announced that eating cloned meat is safe on December 28, 2006. Mark B. McClellan, Commissioner of Food and Drugs, agrees with the decision. "The Food and Drug Administration is confident that the genetically engineered food products on the U.S. market today are as safe as their conventionally bred counterparts," McClellan said in an interview with FDA Consumer Magazine.

Despite the benefits of biotechnology and its ability to feed millions of hungry people, there are possible drawbacks and criticisms. Insects that have eaten from genetically altered plants have died according to Gary Hennip by the Penn State Cooperative Extension Office. Some scientists worry that this may cause long term problems. Joseph Mendelson, legal director for the Center for Food Safety, is not ready to jump on the bandwagon. "At the end of the day, F.D.A. is looking out for a few cloning companies and not for consumers," Mendelson said.

Craig Williams of the Penn State Cooperative Extension Office thinks that apprehension about using biotechnology is nothing more than an unwillingness to use the technology out of fear. "When people began artificially inseminating livestock there were fears that eating that meat would cause people to have 11 toes. We now know better. The food from genetically modified plants and animals is the same as the food from non-modified plants and animals," Williams said.

Adam McCawley, a senior math major at Mansfield University, feels that the issue should be attacked now. "I don't believe that the people who suffer from hunger care whether or not they are eating cloned meat and genetically enhanced corn. If they do not get fed now, they will die. Why stall on something when we have seen no negative effects on humans," McCawley said.

Unfortunately while the debate about using these modified foods goes on, people are still dying of hunger. Perhaps the advice of Jim Wallis can be put into action and our leaders can attack the problem with a full head of steam rather than attacking each other. If one were to ask a parent of one of the 90 children who died in the time to read this article how he or she feels about biotechnology, one could safely assume that he or she would have given all of whatever they had to feed their child.

World Hunger Notes

The world produces enough food to feed everyone. According to worldhunger.org, the world produces 17 percent more calories per person today than 30 years ago, despite a 70 percent population increase. That is enough to provide everyone in the world with 2,720 calories per person per day.

Poverty is the principal cause of hunger. A lack of resources, unequal distribution in the world, conflict and hunger itself cause poverty. It is estimated that 798 million live with chronic hunger.

Hunger is also a cause of poverty. Since it causes poor health, low levels of energy and even mental impairment, hunger can lead to greater poverty by reducing a person's ability to work.

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Review: New Modest Mouse album may surprise fans

By KEVIN WOODRUFF
Flashlight Web Editor

The newest album by Modest Mouse entitled "We Were Dead before the Ship Even Sank" may not be what you expect to hear.

After releasing the album "Good News for People Who Love Bad News" in April of 2004 the band received critical acclaim and major mainstream popularity. This time around these Washington rockers are taking a different approach.

Unlike their previous major label release, the new album takes the pop sensibility they had become known for in the last three years and turns it on its head.

From start to finish the album moves seamlessly from track to track and is filled with musical styling that one would only expect from a band like Modest Mouse.

The record starts off with a bitter anthem entitled "March into the Sea" that shows they aren't pulling any punches with this release. The airy melodies are abruptly cut short by lead singer Isaac Brock's wails of discontent.

Immediately after "March into the Sea" the first single "Dashboard" kicks in with a flowing beat. This single is one of few songs that seem suitable for mainstream airplay. While this may not be the direction that diehard fans want the band to take, this song is destined to be a radio hit.

Throughout the album there are several songs that standout among the crowd. One of which is "Parting of the Sensory." This song is one of the heavier songs among the bunch. It starts out with spacey melodies and calming vocals but then builds into a triumphant finish and explodes like a time-bomb.

Another memorable track is "Little Motel" which is a more down-tempo song than most others on this release. This song's foundation lies within the strong guitar track. It builds into an atmospheric riff that transcends from vocal parts into an instrumental bridge and slowly fades to silence.

Even though "We Were Dead before the Ship Even Sank" may not be what newer fans of Modest Mouse are looking for, it is a solid release and a step forward for the band. This album will surely keep veteran fans on board and possibly recruit a few new ones.

U.S. Tour Dates

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Apr. 29 - New York, NY
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Apr. 30 - New York, NY
The United Palace

May 3 - Philadelphia, PA
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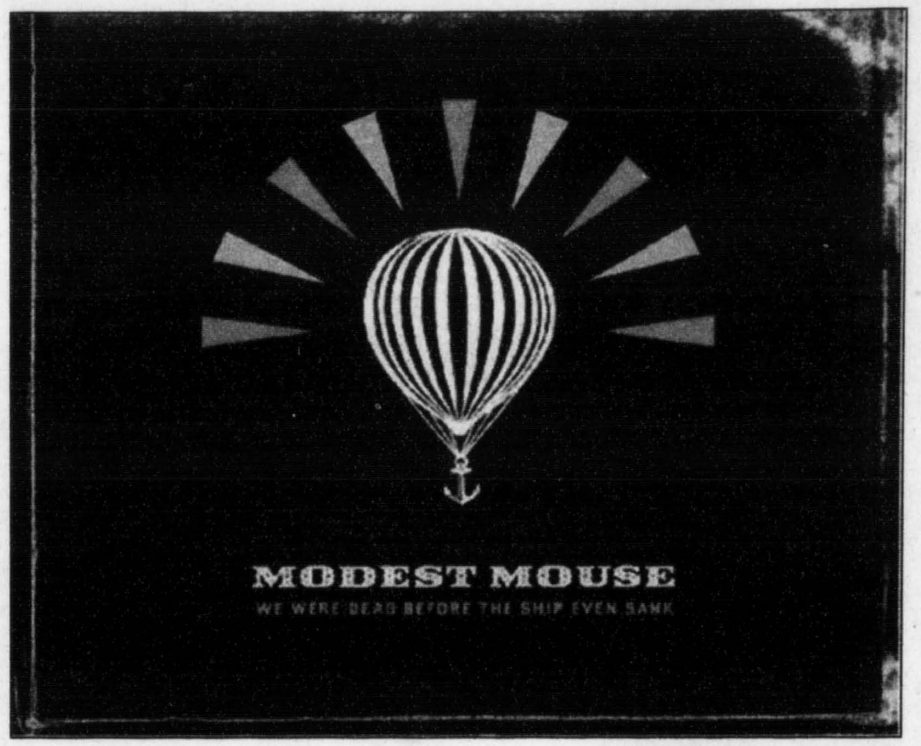

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"Spin" magazine's review said, "While Brock's pop instincts have never been more refined, his jitteriness has never run more rampant," about the new Modest Mouse album.

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Review: "Premonition" at times hard to follow; waste of money

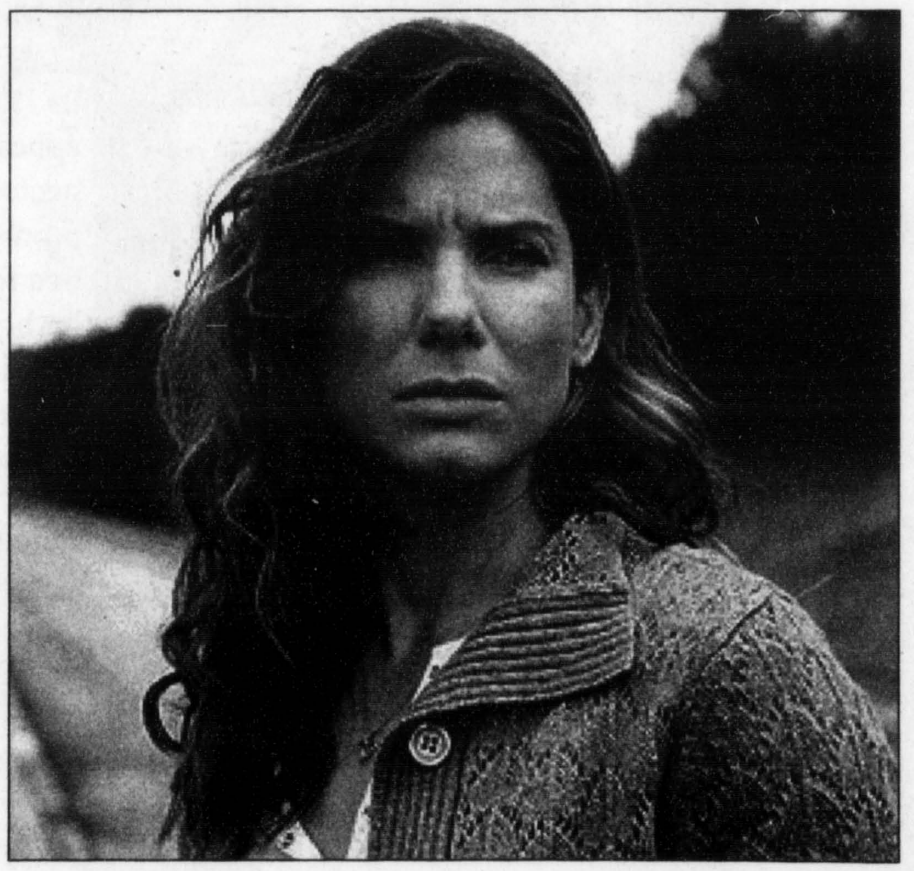
By JOE SEROSKI
Flashlight Features Editor

According to Webster's New World dictionary, a premonition is "a forewarning." That is exactly what happens to Sandra Bullock's character in her latest film, "Premonition."

In the film, Bullock's character, Linda Quinn Hanson suddenly has a premonition that her husband dies in a car accident. What she doesn't know however, is if it is really going to happen, or if it is just a dream. Throughout the movie she is wondering what is going on and some are calling her crazy.

Overall, I found the movie pretty unimpressive. The whole time I was trying to figure out whether the movie was attempting to be a horror film or whether it was attempting to be a psychological thriller. At times the movie had an eerie mood to it. There was a good bit of suspense, but I was constantly left wondering what was actually happening in the movie and what she knew was happening.

I found the film kind of hard to follow and could not figure out where they were going with the action. It was one of those movies where I felt like it could have all been a dream. It seems there was quite a lot of symbolism in "Premonition" that I just could not understand. The action happens slowly in the film, and for some of the events that happened, they left me wondering what their purpose was in the film.



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Peter Travers, critic from "Rolling Stone," said, "The real horror is watching Sandra Bullock drop her big Miss Congeniality smile to A-C-T!"

For me, the ending was the worst part of the film. It left me unfulfilled and kept me wondering once again. I was unsure how it tied the film together and what it meant.

Overall, I would rate "Premonition" a 5 out of 10. The film isn't too exciting, and some of the acting is lackluster. The cinematography and parts of the story line make it somewhat worth seeing.

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Famous pranks done

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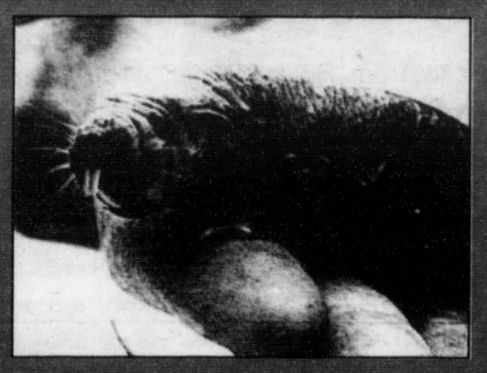
In 1980 the BBC said that Big Ben would be turning to a digital readout in order to stay with the times. Many people listening to the BBC called in protesting the change. The BBC Japanese network also advertised that the first four callers could bid on the clock hands from Big Ben.

In 1994 National Public Radio's "All Things Considered" program reported that corporate companies such as Pepsi would give teenagers a 10 percent discount in return to tattoo themself. The catch was that they would have to get a tattoo on their ear. Teenagers reportedly responded excitedly to the deal.

In 1985 George Plimpton published an article in "Sports Illustrated" spotlighting a new rookie pitcher who was going to play for the Mets. The pitcher's name was Sidd Finch, and he could throw a baseball with pinpoint accuracy at 168 mph. He mastered his "art of the pitch" in a Tibetan monestary under the guidance of "great poet-saint Lama Milaraspa."

In 1978, a barge entered Sydney Harbor, towing what appeared to be an iceberg. The iceberg had been expected. Millionaire businessman Dick Smith had been promoting a scheme to tow an iceberg from Antarctica for a while. As the iceberg made its way into the harbor, it started to rain, exposing what used to make "the iceberg" - firefighting foam, shaving cream and white plastic sheets.

In 1998 Burger King published an ad in "USA Today" announcing the addition of the left-handed whopper; designed for the 32-million left-handed Americans. The new Whopper had the same ingredients, only rotated 180 degrees for the left-handers. By the time Burger King issued a follow-up explaining the hoax, thousands had gone into the restaurants asking for the sandwich.



In 1984 the "Orlando Sentinel" published a story about the Tasmanian Mock Walrus that folks in Florida were adopting as pets. The creature would rid homes of cockroaches. It was said that many were being smuggled from Tasmania, and some were trying to breed them. Dozens of people reportedly called asking for them. The animal was completely fictitious.

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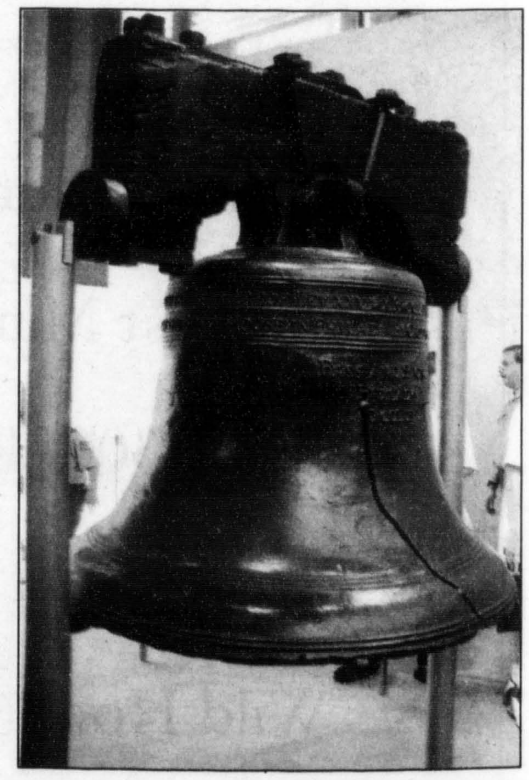

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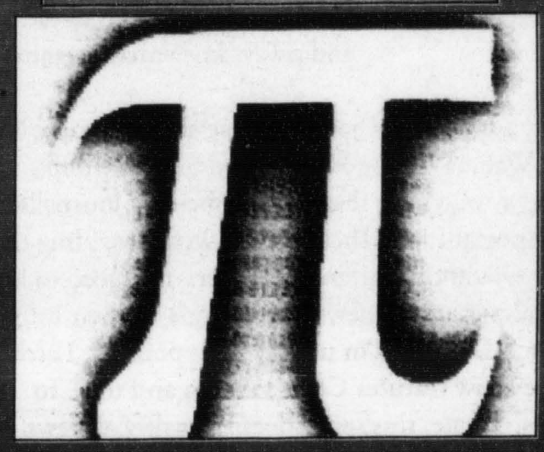
In 1999 the Wall of Sound website said that Britney Spears was actuallly 11 years older (28 instead of 17) than everyone believed. The report followed the release of a controversial cover of Spears on "Rolling Stone." They also said she was actually born Belinda Sue Spearson. Hundreds of people reportedly called her record label wondering about her age.

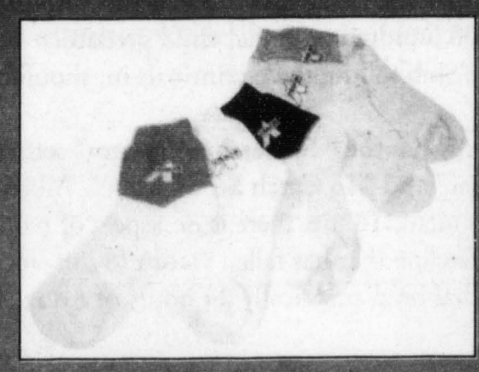
In 1974 residents of a community in Alaska were fearful when the dormant volcano, Mount Edgecumbe neighboring their area began to spew out black smoke. Many people left their homes scared. It turned out a man flew hundreds of tires to the site and lit them on fire.

In 1998 the "New Mexicans for Science and Reason" newsletter said that Alabama state legislature voted to change the mathematical constant pi from 3.14159 to the 'Biblical value' of 3.0. The article spread through email, and Alabama legislature began receiving hundreds of phone calls from people protesting the legislation.

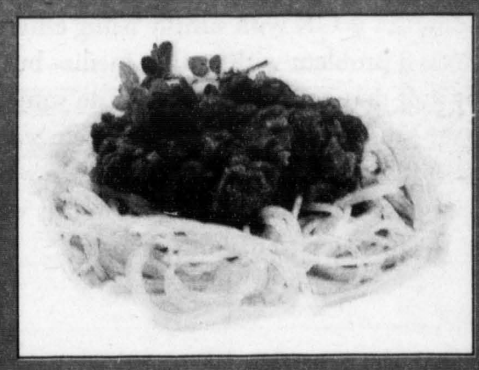


In 1965 BBC had an interview with a professor who invented "smellovision." The technology allowed viewers to smell aromas in their home that were made in the television studio. The professor had a demonstration in the studio cutting up food. Several people called the studio saying they smelt it. However, there was no actual "smellovision." People didn't actually smell anything.

In 2000 "Daily Mail" announced that compnay had made a new line of socks that would help people lose weight. The socks were called "FatSox" and were supposed to suck the fat out of sweating feet. The invention said it would get rid of fat forever. After sweating in the socks, the user could wash them and wash the fat away.



In 1957 the BBC show "Panorama" announced that due to a mild winter and the extermination of the spaghetti weevil, Swiss farmers were experiencing an increase in their spaghetti crop. Footage included Swiss peasants pulling spaghetti strands from trees. Many viewers called in to find out how to grow their own spaghetti trees.



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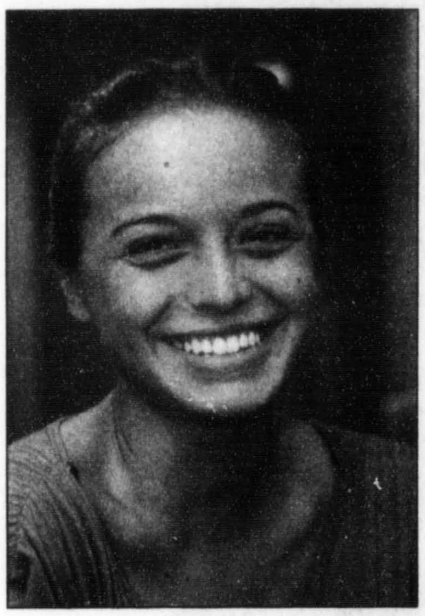

Has entertainment taken over the news?

When I was younger I remember watching the shows Dateline, 60 Minutes and other news shows. Yes, I was a nerd - I loved the news and always knew that I wanted to be in the news business.

I looked up to and admired the hosts of these shows. People like Tom Brokaw, Barbara Walters, Mike Wallace and Stone Phillips.

When I was younger, watching these shows, being a journalist seemed like such an important job. These people were providing the public across the country with important news that they need to know.

I'm still an avid watcher of the news but nowadays when I turn on the television to catch Dateline I'm usually disappointed. Lately any episode I see of the show features Chris Hansen and the "To catch a predator," series. To me, this series doesn't qualify as news. It's more like shock and awe, just for the sake of gaining ratings. Sure it's entertaining to watch, more disturbing actually to think that there are actually people out there like that. People that will come to a house with condoms in their pockets and all the while they're waiting to meet a 13-year-old boy or girl.

Maybe the show never changed from when I was a kid, perhaps it was always more entertainment based than news based and I was just too young to notice. After all, during the broadcast they always advertise the awards they win for news broadcasts - I feel like it should be news, not entertainment.

I'm not even saying that what Dateline is doing isn't important. They have caught over 200 hundred potential child predators- but again, is it really Dateline's job to lure these criminals in, shouldn't that be left up to the police?

Now Dateline not only has the "To Catch a Predator" series but the "To Catch an ID Thief" and "To Catch a Con Man." All of these series are simply entertainment. To me, there is no aspect of hard news there. And it's not just Dateline that has fallen victim to this, for the past couple weeks CNN has been practically 24 hours of Anna Nicole Smith.

Maybe I'm somewhat of a news snob just because I love it so much, maybe the rest of America is OK with simply being entertained and I'm the only one that has a problem with today's media- but I have a feeling I'm not. As corny as it may sound- we need to do something about it. Not only the future journalists, but everyone. We need to make it known that we don't just want to be entertained. We want to be informed, to be educated about what is going on in this world because being informed is the first step to making changes.

What do you think?
E-mail your thoughts to flashlit@mansfield.edu

Quote of the Week

"The future depends on what we do in the present."

~Mahatma Gandhi

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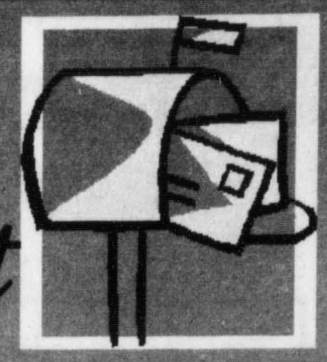

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How well do you know "There's Something About Mary"?

Answer the questions below to find out

1. What part of Rhode Island did Ted say he and Mary lived in?
A. Cumberland
B. Barrington
C. Warwick
D. Providence

2. What was Mary's old boyfriend's name?
A. Whitey
B. Fonzie
C. Woogie
D. Winkie

3. What does Mary want a guy to buy for her at a baseball game?
A. Corn dogs and beer
B. Snow Cones and beer
C. Lite beer
D. Hot Dogs and beer

4. What did Mary change her last name to?
A.Jensen
B. McCartney
C.Michaels
D. Matthews

5. What lie did Norm/Tucker tell Mary about Pat?
A. He didn't like Warren
B. He was a murderer
C. He was a stalker
D. He wasn't really an architect

6. What kind of dog was Puffy?
A. Beagle
B. Chihuahua
C. Poodle
D. Border Terrier

7. What show was Ted on after he stopped at the rest stop?
A. 60 Minutes
B. COPS
C. Oprah
D. 6 o'clock news

8. What doesn't Warren like on his burgers?
A. Relish
B. Pickles
C. Onions
D. Tomatoes

9. What show does Mary watch at night?
A. Jay Leno
B. Dave Letterman
C. CNN
D. Sportscenter

10. What is Mary's favorite football team?
A. Eagles
B. 49 er's
C. Redskins
D. Bears

11. What show could Warren watch all day?
A. MTV
B. Fresh Prince of Belair
C. Cheers
D. MASH

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On the Sidelines with Ryan Wyland: Pre-Season All-American outfielder, infielder and pitcher for the Mountaineer baseball team

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Copy Editor

Ryan Wyland is the All-American baseball player for the Mountaineers. He leads the team in at bats, runs, hits, doubles, triples and total bases while holding a batting averageof .333. Last season for the Mountaineers he received several awards and was able to help Mansfield get back to the playoffs yet again. Wyland was able to talk to me about his experiences with baseball.

Danelle Miller: What year are you and what is your major?
Ryan Wyland: My major is Liberal Studies major with a minor in Psychology, Mathematics, and Philosophy. I am taking graduate classes in Instructional Technology.

DM: Where is your hometown?
RW: I am from Williamsport, PA.

DM: What made you decide to attend Mansfield University?
RW: After my sophomore year at Bloomsburg, there was a baseball head coaching change, which made me consider other options. I chose Mansfield over the rest because MU has a tradition of a good winning baseball program and a lot of my former teammates from the Williamsport area that played here influenced me to choose Mansfield.

DM: When did you begin playing baseball?
RW: I began playing tee-ball when I was 4 and have been playing baseball ever since then.

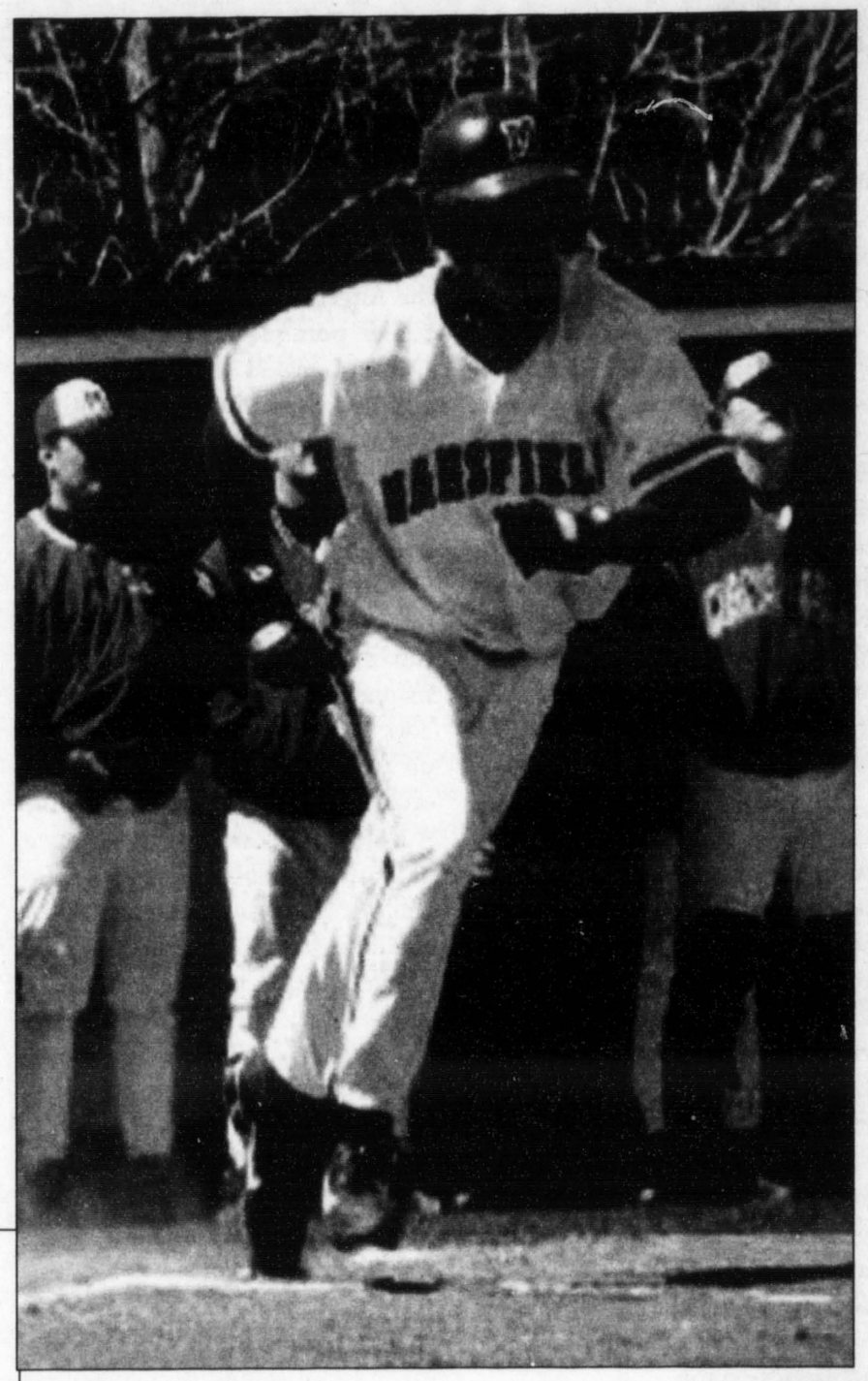
DM: What interested you in baseball?
RW: A big influence was being around the baseball field when I was younger. My family had a huge role in why I became interested in baseball because my older brother played and my dad was his coach, so I was always around the baseball fields.

DM: What motivates you during the season?
RW: My motivation stems from having a chance to play collegiate sports and being blessed with the ability to play, which a lot of people wish they had the opportunity to do. Looking at playing collegiate sports as a privilege because you never know when it's the last time you'll get to play, so give it your all every day that way you can't look back and say "What if…" The motivation during the off season is definitely looking forward to the season and game day.

DM: How do you prepare for a game?
RW: I focus on the aspects of baseball that you can control. "ACE"; your attitude, concentration and effort. All the other things just fall into place.

DM: How do you think the team will do this season?
RW: We will be competitive in conference play. The team will keep getting better as the year goes on and the younger guys will gain more experience.

DM: What are some awards you have earned for baseball?
RW: I would say my biggest accomplishments include being All-Region the past 2 years, Atlantic Collegiate Baseball League Co-MVP, and ACBL All-Star Game MVP.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Ryan Wyland may be the best all-around player the Mountaineers have this season. Whether he is on the mound or at the plate, Wyland has been getting the job done. He will look to help Mansfiled get back to the playoffs once again. They are picked to finish third in the PSAC in the pre-season coaches poll.

DM: What have you learned from baseball that you will take with you into the future?
RW: The best things that baseball teaches anyone are perseverance, determination and resilience because you fail more times than you succeed.

DM: Do you have a coach that has helped you to become a better baseball player?
RW: I have had many good coaches that have helped me with aspects of the game. Tim Fausnaught, former All-American Mountaineer and my high school coach prepared me for college baseball in many ways and has been a positive influence on and off the field.

DM: Do you have any professional baseball players that you look up to?
RW: I look up to David Eckstein because he is an undersized player who does all the little things to make a huge impact for his team.

DM: What is your favorite sport besides baseball?
RW: College football.

DM: Are you a part of any other athletic teams at Mansfield?
RW: No.

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Toby's two cents: Yankees will get best of Phillies in '07 as Major League Baseball season prepares to get underway

By TOBY MOTYKA
Flashlight Co-Sports Edtior

The baseball season is finally here, with the first pitch of opening day coming on Sunday, April 1 when the Cardinals and Mets face off in a rematch of last year's National League Championship Series. If you're anything like me, you're twitching in anticipation of your team's first game. So how will your team do this year? Who will be this season's Florida Marlins and come up from the depths of small-market hell to threaten the big dogs? Who will be this year's Francisco Liriano, Jonathan Paplebon and Justin Verlander? Most importantly, who will be this year's St. Louis Cardinals.

In the AL East, I like the Yankees. Once again the bullies from the Bronx watched last year's solid regular season go to waste after spending an outrageous amount of money in the off-season. I actually like what they did this off-season, getting rid of clubhouse poisons like Gary Sheffield and Randy Johnson while keeping the core of the team intact. They will face tough competition from the pitching loaded Red Sox, and will get a scare from the dangerous Blue Jays, but in the end the Yankees are the most balanced team in the division and should find themselves on top.

The AL Central is far and away baseball's toughest, most competitive division, even with the Royals presiding in the basement annually. The Twins came out of nowhere in the second half of last season to overtake the Tigers for the crown. All the Tigers did was add pieces to a solid young foundation while the Twins lost two key cogs in their rotation. Meanwhile the Indians and White Sox look like they'll be in the mix, while the Royals will be more competitive this year than they have been so far this millennium. In the end, it will be the Tigers, followed closely by the Twins and Indians, while the White Sox continue to fade. The Royals… well I said they would be competitive, not good.

The AL West has been a two team division for the past six or seven years. When September rolls around, it always seems like the Angels and Athletics are competing for first, while the Rangers and Mariners try to lock down last place. I think the Rangers and Mariners have closed the gap a little, but still don't have the pitching to compete with the other two teams. Expect the Angels to lead the division for a large portion of the season, until Oakland makes their annual August and September charge for the postseason, but this year the charge won't be enough. The Angels, with a deep lineup and rotation, should hold onto the A.L. West crown.

In the NL East, the Atlanta Braves had their unprecedented run of sixteen straight division titles snapped by the Mets last year. New York used a potent offense to pick up the slack of an inconsistent and often injured pitching staff, while Atlanta's youth showed in the form of a sub-.500 finish. So which team will win the division this year? How about neither? The Philadelphia Phillies finally appear poised to pounce on a division title. Jimmy Rollins, Ryan Howard and Chase Utley form one of the most potent one-two-three punches in the league. These three players, along with a solid full season from Cole Hammels, should provide the Phils with their first trip to the postseason since 1992.

Much like the AL Central, the NL Central should be competitive from top to bottom, but more because the teams that reside in the division are more mediocre than good. The Cubs went out and spent enough money to buy a third world country to acquire Alfonso Soriano and other players. With Carlos Zambrano at the front of the rotation the Cubs should have a legitimate shot at making the playoffs and competing in a weak National League. However, I can't pick against last year's World Series Champions, the St. Louis Cardinals. Until someone dethrones them, they hold the title of the best team in baseball. Keep an eye on everyone in this division, as it wouldn't surprise me if the Reds, Astros, Pirates or Brewers took first place either.

In the West, I expect the Dodgers to harness all of their young hitting and turn it into a division title. As usual, the Padres will be right in the mix. I also expect the Rockies to maintain the pace that they kept up for the majority of the season last year for all 162 games this year. If the Rockies can get enough pitching out of guys like Jeff Francis, then they should sneak up on a lot of people. But when all is said and done, bet on the Dodgers squeaking by with a division title.

In the American League playoffs, the Yankees and Tigers will meet for a trip to the World Series, with the Yanks coming out on top. The Phillies will take down their division rivals the Mets to officially diagnose themselves with "October Fever." And when all is said and done, the Yankees keep a title out of Philadelphia yet again with a series win in six (provided their pitching stays healthy).

The biggest surprise this year should be the Pittsburgh Pirates. I see a lot of similarities between this year's Pirates team and last year's Brewers team, who stayed alive in the playoff hunt until near the end of the year. The Pirates have a good mix of guys in their lineup that can hit for average, poewr and speed, while their pitching is as deep as any rotation in baseball. The question for the Pirates isn't the talent, but rather the youth. They're still a year away from being a true playoff team.

As a disclaimer, I would like to remind everyone that baseball season is 162 games long, and is about as predictable as a blind bus driver. However, I would like everyone to sit back, relax, and enjoy a fantastic five months of baseball. This season looks to be as fun as any other.

AL East:
1) New York Yankees
2) Boston Red Sox
3) Toronto Blue Jays
4) Tampa Bay Devil Rays
5) Baltimore Orioles

AL Central:
1) Detroit Tigers
2) Minnesota Twins
3) Cleveland Indians
4) Chicago White Sox
5) Kansas City Royals

AL West:
1) Anaheim Angels
2) Oakland Athletics
3) Seattle Mariners
4) Texas Rangers

NL East:
1) Philadelphia Phillies
2) New York Mets
3) Atlanta Braves
4) Florida Marlins
5) Washington Nationals

NL Central:
1) St. Louis Cardinals
2) Chicago Cubs
3) Milwaukee Brewers
4) Houston Astros
5) Pittsburgh Pirates
6) Cincinnati Reds

NL West:
1) Los Angeles Angels
2) Colorado Rockies
3) San Diego Padres
4) Arizona Diamondbacks

ALDS:
Yankees over Twins, Tigers over Angels

NLDS:
Phillies over Cardinals, Mets over Dodgers

ALCS:
Yankees over Tigers

NLCS:
Phillies over Mets

World Series:
Yankees over Phillies

AL MVP: Derek Jeter

NL MVP: Jose Reyes

AL Cy Young: Johan Santana

NL Cy Young: Jake Peavy

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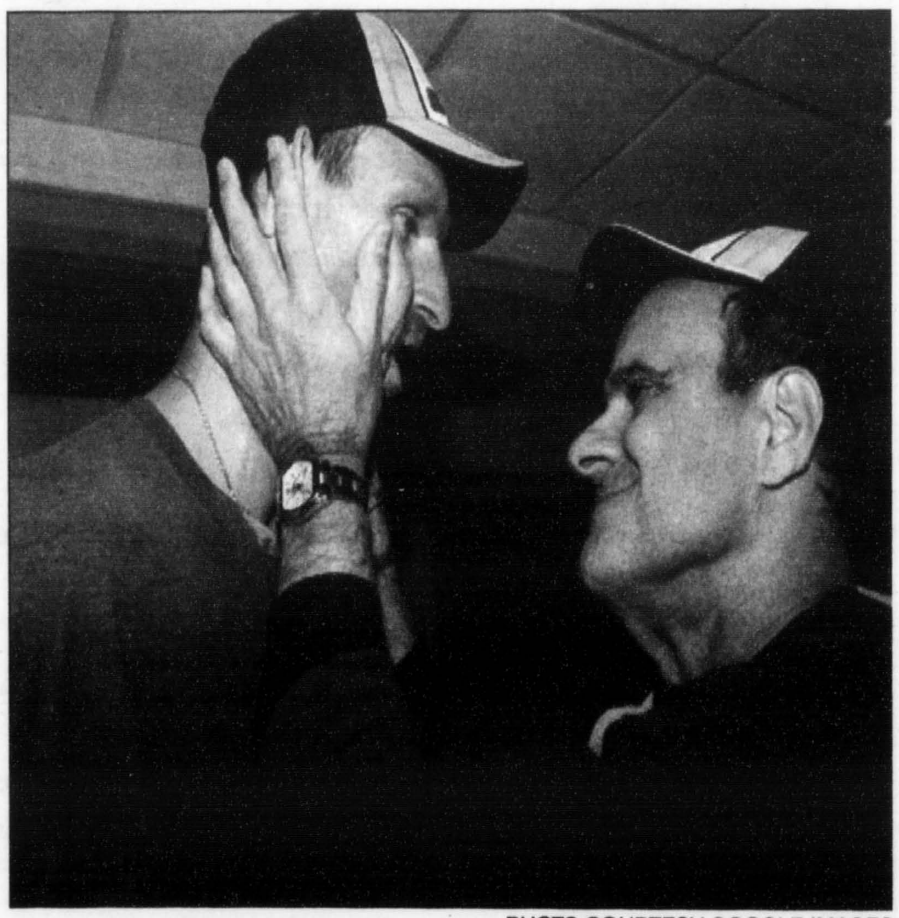

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While Randy Johnson isn't around for Joe Torre to kiss anymore, the Yankee manager will have plenty of other Yankees to embrace after his team raises another banner for the 2007 season. New York hasn't won a World Series since 2000, but getting rid of guys like Johnson and Gary Sheffield while keeping the rest of the team intact should lead to greener pastures this year. If Alex Rodriguez can get his act together, both personally and professionally, nobody will be able to stop the Yankees.

Mountaineer Winter Sports Award Winners Announced

Jess Uhrich and Dave Sanford named athletes of the season

Jessica Uhrich and Dave Sanford were named the Mansfield University Winter Athletes of the Year at the annual winter sports banquet Wednesday evening. Women's basketball, men's basketball, cheerleading, swimming and indoor track and field all gave out awards at the banquet.

It was no surprise when Jessica Uhrich was announced as the female Athlete of the Year. The senior standout finished her inspiring career by leading the Mountaineer women into the playoffs two consecutive seasons and starting in her final 81 straight games.

Uhrich became the first Mountaineer woman to lead the PSAC in scoring and rebounding while setting the new single season mark for points with 508, the only Mountaineer woman to ever score over 500 points in a season.

She was named the PSAC East Player of the Week three times during the season setting a new Mountaineer record with eight Player of the Week honors. Uhrich earned her second straight All-PSAC First team honor this season and followed that up by being named the PSAC East Player of the Year.

The senior captain leaves Mansfield ranked in the top twelve in nearly every statistical category including third in rebounds (866), fourth in points (1241), fifth in blocked shots (78), 10th in assists (220) and 12th in steals (145).

Dave Sanford transferred to Mansfield at the start of the fall season and has been turning heads ever since. Sanford shocked the PSAC with his drastic improvements in the 800 meter run this year dropping nearly six seconds off his previous indoor best.

Sanford began the season by helping the Mountaineer 4x800 relay team set a new school record and followed that up by shattering Chris Cummings' 800 meter record.

Sanford once again turned heads when he lowered his record even further to a 1:53.97, a time fast enough to place him on the NCAA Division II provisional qualifier list.

Sanford took the 1000 meter championship at the CTC meet this year with another school record performance and led off the distance medley relay team that set a new school record and hit a NCAA provisional mark.

He capped off his season with a heroic performance at the PSAC Championships when he was stepped on and lost one shoe just 100 meters into the race. Sanford ran 700 meters with one shoe and managed to hold off the entire field with the exception of Sean Strauman (finished 2nd at Nationals) of IUP. His efforts earned him All-PSAC honors. Ultimately, Sanford missed qualifying for the National Championships by just 0.8 seconds.

Prior to the announcement of the Athlete of the Year honors, all the winter sports coaches handed out Most Improved Player and Most Valuable Player Awards.

To no surprise, Sanford took home the MVP for men's track and field. The MIP award went to freshman Mike Gray who surprised even himself this winter when he equaled his high school best with the college shot put. Gray looks even more impressive this outdoor season already setting a school record in the discus and a personal best in the shot put.

On the women's side, Nicole Dann was announced as the MVP for the indoor season. Dann was the leader on and off the track for the Mountaineer women as shown in her performance at the CTC meet where she won the 800, 1000, and mile before anchoring the 4x400 relay team. Dann earned All-PSAC honors in the 800. The MIP award went to freshman Katie Foster (Elmira, NY/Elmira Southside) who tackled the task of the multi-event athlete this season. Foster improved in all her events this season and ended up scoring points in the pentathlon at the PSAC Championships.

Abbe Tipton took home the MVP honors for the swim team after leading the Mountaineer women's performances at the PSAC Championships this season. Tipton, the leading Mountie backstroker for the past four seasons finished seventh at the PSAC Championships in the 100 backstroke. Freshman Sarah Koontz was honored with the MIP award after improving an impressive three seconds in the 50 free and four seconds in the 100 free. Koontz joined the Mountie swim team as a relay member at the PSAC Championships.

Dr. Maris humored the crowd while reminding everyone in attendance of how special the 'student' in 'student athlete' is. Maris, the head coach of the Cheerleading team, announced Ashley Spencer as the MVP of this winter's cheerleading squad.

To no surprise, Jessica Uhrich was named the MVP of the women's basketball season. The MIP award went to Clarissa Correll. Correll worked hard in the off-season to improve all facets of her game and moved into the starting lineup throughout the season. Her speedy and tight defensive play was crucial to the Mountaineers success.

The men's basketball MVP was given to John Hampton after Hampton ranked in the top 15 in the PSAC in scoring, steals, assists, free throw percentage and 3-point percentage. Hampton finished the season with 387 points averaging 14.9 points per game. The MIP award was given to Kevin Hill. The hometown junior moved into the starting lineup this season starting in all but one game. Hill knocked down an impressive 90 3-pointers this season ranking him third in school history for 3's in a season. Hill led the PSAC in 3-pointers made and 3-point percentage.

All seniors were honored throughout the evening by the coaches and by the athletics administration.

Boxing Sends three to nationals: Phifer, Hill and Ligon punch their tickets to Reno, Nevada next month for the national tournament

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University boxing team went to the regional tournament at Army this past weekend and had an impressive showing. The team picked up two seconds place finishes a third and fourth place finish. The second place finishers automatically qualify for the National tournament in Reno, Nevada on April 12, 13 and 14. The third place finisher could be invited to Nationals depending on how the fight went and how many boxers are in that particular weight class.

Chris Phifer and Jarrell Hill both finished in second place in their weight class. In the second round of his semi-final fight, Phifer TKO'd his opponent from Lock Haven. In the finals, Phifer fought the defending national champion from Army. Phifer tried to work his reach to his advantage, but the 240 pounder from Army was too much. Phfier came into the fight weighing in at 205 pounds, making that a 35 pound weight differential.

"Chris fought a good fight, but he couldn't come up with the win," coach Richard Gillespie said. "They are good friends and even posed for a picture after the fight. He fought a good fighter and hopefully we can see him again in nationals,"

Hill had a bye into the finals because he was voted the number one seed in his weight class by the coaches. Hill's opponent was from Lock Haven and they have fought against each other before with each opponent coming out on top on separate occasions. Hill lost this fight by split decision. "It was a tremendous fight, it could have gone either way," Coach Gillespie said.

Roi Ligon finished in third place in his weight class. Ligon just found out that he will be attending nationals as well. Ligon had one fight over the weekend and lost in a split decision.

Ligon was also on the short end of the stick in another fight, coming up just short. This fight came down to a split decision as well, with Ligon coming out on the losing end once again.

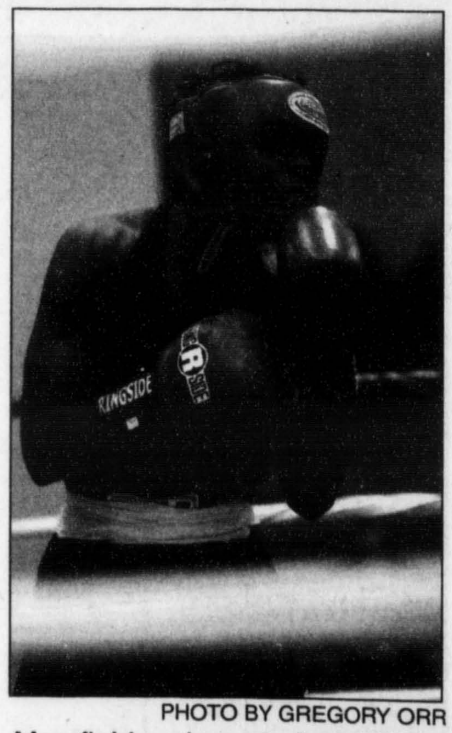
Dan Lawrence came in fourth place in the tournament but did not qualify for nationals. "Dan fought beautifully. It was hard to believe he lost. These were the best fights he has fought since he has been her with me at Mansfield University" Coach Gillespie said.

Gillespie was also proud of how hard his whole team has worked all season. "We have to work on our conditioning a little bit. We don't have the resources that some of these other schools have. We have to keep getting better and we know we can do it," Coach Gillespie said.

Money to travel to Reno, Nevada will be provided by the Regional Boxing Association. There is still a portion that the figthers will have pay on their own as well.

Mansfield was the smallest school at the tournament that included Army, Lock Haven, the Coast Guard, Merchant Marines, Shippensburg, Maryland and VMI.

Going into Nationals Army and Lock Haven are the early favorites out of the east region. Mansfield will be competing with the best collegiate boxers in the entire country.



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Mansfield sophomore Jarrell Hill fought valiantly, but lost his fight to a tough opponent by split decision

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Softball finishes weekend with split decisions at West Virginia Wesleyan Tournament: Shelly Forsburg picks up her third win of the season

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Wrtier

The Mansfield University softball team got off to a slow start this weekend by losing two games on Saturday but picked it up on Sunday by winning one out of two.

In their first game, Mansfield got off to a good start against West Virginia Wesleyan scoring two runs in the top of the first inning. Jen Stein and Kristina Poore delivered run scoring hits, giving the Mountaineers the early lead.

Those, however, were the only runs Mansfield was able to get throughout the whole game, as they were held to three hits in the game. West Virginia Wesleyan got on the board in the second inning with one run and took control of the game with a three run third inning. West Virginia Wesleyan put the game away with five runs in the fifth inning and three more in the sixth inning to close out the scoring. Michelle Forsburg took the loss for the Mountaineers dropping her record to 2-5 on the season. Mansfield fell to 2-10 overall on the season.

Next up for the Mountaineers was the 22nd ranked University of South Carolina-Upstate. Upstate started quick as they got two runs in the first inning. They would stretch the lead to 9-0 invoking the mercy rule after five innings. Upstate pitcher Brittany Rice threw a no-hitter as Mansfield fell to 2-11 on the season. This was Upstate's 38th game of the season while it was Mansfield's 13th game of the season.

Sunday started out much better for the team as they beat Shepherd College 6-5 in eight innings. Kristina Poore hit an RBI single to score Jessica Christ to cap off a rally which saw Mansfield score four runs in the fifth inning to erase a 3-0 deficit. Christ would lead the Mountaineers with a double and a home run, her first of the season. Michelle Forsburg went the distance to pick up her third win of the season and improve the Mountaineers record overall to 3-11.

Next up for the lady Mountaineers was Indiana University of Pennsylvania. The game got off to a great start as Shana Markwis lead off the game with a Home run to give the Mountaineers the quick 1-0 lead. IUP tied the score in the second inning and that was all of the scoring until IUP pushed across the winning run in the eighth inning. Whitney Brown took the loss and fell to 0-4 on the season as Mansfield dropped to 3-12 on the season.

The Mountaineers will begin PSAC play on Saturday, Mar. 31 with a doubleheader as they host the Millersville Marauders at 1 p.m. at Helen Lutes field. They will then hit the road to play the East Stroudsburg Warriors on Wednesday, April 4.

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Junior Jessica Christ scored the game winning run in the victory over Shepherd College. Appearing in all 15 games, this season, Christ is leads the team in runs batted in with six. She is also second on the team in batting average at .364.

Coming up in Mountie Sports

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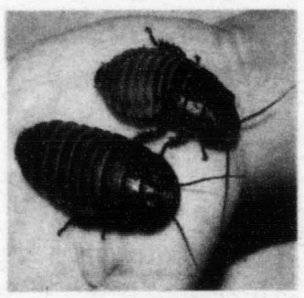

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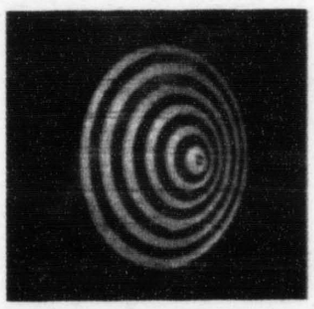

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It's gonna RAIN!

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ALIENS INVADING MANSFIELD!

Alien leader: "First Butler, then... THE WORLD!"

By MEESHELL SCANDALANDIS
Trashlight News Goddess

Mansfield University is being invaded by aliens and many students have already been abducted and brainwashed.

Butler was the first building to be attacked by tiny green aliens. Off campus visitors noticed students acting strangely. These strange behaviors include running around in circles and flapping one's arms, shooting flames out of eyes and studying.

Trumpet major Dan Foster was spotted skipping down the halls of Butler singing his new hit, "Sexy Never Left" at the top of his lungs. "I feel these strange sensations and I just gotta dance and sing," Foster said. "I just can't help myself. It's like I'm being controlled by a strange, tiny, little man."

Senior Trevor Roberts, who is currently doing an internship elsewhere, recently visited campus and was invaded by an alien identity known only as Blob. He finds that odd phrases escape from his mouth in the middle of sentences. "I just don't understand eat grass what's going on here," Roberts said. I just want this little dude pretty birdie to leave me alone once and girls have cooties for all."

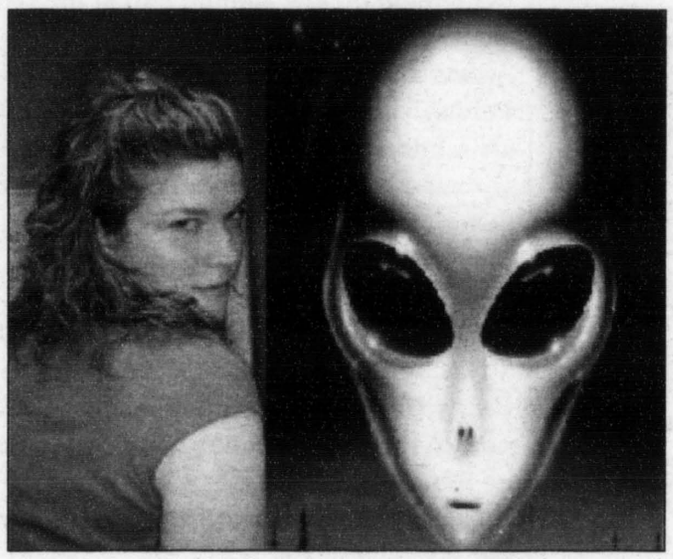

PHOTO BY JOE MAMA
Carrie Goodyear, while appearing unassuming in real life, is actually the leader of the first wave of aliens set to take over the world.

Carrie Goodyear, junior public relations major, has been spotted climbing the sides of buildings and jumping across rooftops screaming "I am super woman!"

"We are going to take over the world," Goodyear said. "The alien dudette inside my head has empowered me as a woman and I am going to be ruler of the new world next week. I will also own many Prada shoes. Plans are now underway for a total invasion of Mansfield University tomorrow."

Faculty members are not safe from this extraterrestrial invasion. Dr. Michael Galloway was invaded by the alien known as The Great Trumpet God. "I will discipline the world through great instruction in music," Galloway said. "Trumpet playing will be essential for life and those who do not practice at least two hours a day will not likely survive."

An alien hunter, known simply as the great and powerful O, is stalking the night in search of these tiny invaders. O's only weapon is a single baseball bat. "This is the big stick of terror," O said. "Aliens will fear my wrath!"

O's partner in crime is Fernando, the ghost of Butler. "I decided to join the alien hunt because I am sick of the late night screeching that this character Dan Foster calls singing," Fernando said. "The terror just has to stop."

War against the aliens begins Friday. All students free of alien identities are encouraged to join the O Warriors in the great fight.

Psychics bring message of doom to students

By JOSE SALAMI
El Trashlighto del featuro de editoro

For some the psychic fair brought them good feelings after asking questions about their future job success or what they would be doing in 10 years. For others their crystal ball reading brought them to tears.

Senior Toby Motyka nearly had a nervous breakdown after the psychic told him his future. "She told me I'd die within 100 years," Motyka said. "I went nuts, to think that your future can end so quickly and someone can see that just blows my mind."

A psychic by definition is someone who is "sensitive to forces beyond the physical world." They are people who can sense things that others cannot. However, most psychics are usually sensitive to a person's feelings and do not tell them their grave endings. Donna Doodoo gave Motyka his reading that day and said sometimes you just need to tell a person what they want to hear.

"The truth hurts," Doodoo said. "I make it a point to tell my clients what they need to hear whether that be that one day they will need Viagra, or that they will die within the next 100 years."

Knowing that his future could come to a close any day within the next 100 years, Motyka did what any person would in that position. He started giving away his most prized possessions.

First on his list was his highly extensive "Baby-sitter's Club" book collection. "I have been a fan of this series for as long as I can remember," Motyka said. "That girl knows how to write a book."

After tearing apart his apartment and giving away a countless number of Ken dolls, Motyka came across his most prized possession yet: his Chris Weinke rookie card.

> "I went nuts."
> *-Toby Motyka, Mansfield Senior*

Motyka didn't realize how serious things were until he knew he had to give up Weinke. It was like a surreal nightmare for him.

"Seeing Weinke in that Panthers jersey and knowing he'll never be with me again I lost it," Motyka said.

The weird thing is that Motyka isn't a Weinke fan at all. He is just keeping the card for it's monetary value. He believes it will rise high in value in the future.

As a true philanthropist, Motyka did what any rational person would in this situation. He donated it to the Boys and Girls Club of America. It was a great charitable write-off for him.

"I figured if I could buy someone a few pens for their education with the value of the card then I would be doing a good deed."

April Fool's day parade celebrates non-fools at Mansfield

Loeschke "Proud to reign over a foolless school"

By THE CREATURE
FROM DAN MASON'S BEARD

The creature that lives in the beard of the faculty adviser

"No Fools at Our School" is the theme of this year's April Fool's Day parade.

Dr. Maravene Loeschke, Mansfield University's newly inaugurated president will be the grand marshal of this year's celebration. "I love the theme," Loeschke said. "I'm proud to reign over a foolless school."

The Pride of Pennsylvania, Mansfield University's award winning marching band will lead parade through downtown Mansfield Sunday at 3 p.m. This is Dr. Adam Brennan's 19th April Fool's Parade. "This time I hope the band isn't the only one to show up," Brennan said. "You know the old saying, "Fool me eighteen times, shame on you. Fool me nineteen times, shame on me." Brennan has dragged the band to Smythe Park 18 years in a row only to learn that there is no parade. It's an April Fool's trick.

"Not this year," Brennan said. "We have a new president. She has assured me that there is going to be a parade."

"I don't believe in April Fools jokes," Loeschke said. "They're cruel and a waste of time and money.

Loeschke has been working tirelessly to encourage sororities and fraternities to join the fun. Lindsey Bailey, president of Iwanna Feelya Puhls, has her nurses' float ready. "I'd tell you what it looks like, but then I'd have to kill you, and I'd hate to do that because nurses are dedicated to saving human lives," Bailey said.

Cindy Kerr modeled one of the registrar's office's togas. Kerr grew up in Mansfield and has never missed an April Fool's Day parade. "We're wearing togas this year because the ancient Greeks were so smart," Kerr said. "The Greeks invented the calendar then changed. When the calendar changed 500 years ago, the Greeks were the only ones who were never fooled." The registrants will be hauling Registrar Lori Cass down Main Street in a sedan chair.

In keeping with the theme of the parade, no pranks or jokes are allowed in Mansfield before the parade begins. "It's my responsibility to enforce the ordinance," Chief of Police Paul Shaw said. "Last year there were more Whoopie Cushions and squirting flowers than I could count before the parade. This year I asked the town council to make all that stuff illegal before the parade."

"Can't be having any Whoopie Cushions going off in church," Mayor Tom Wiebowski said.

The parade begins at 1:17 p.m. "I chose 1:17 p.m. because that's when the bottle of campaign was smashed on the corner stone of North Hall 150 years ago this June," Loeschke said. "Towns are built on tradition. 1:17 p.m. will be ours."

Though no bottles of campaign will be broken on Dr. Loeschke's bow, she hopes that there will be a big crowd. "It will be the perfect way to end my inaugural week," Loeschke said. "No fooling. I hope lots of people come to the parade."

Police Beat

INDECENT EXPOSURE- Dentyne Miller, 18, was arrested for indecent exposure in a public area. Miller was spotted streaking across several pickup basketball games in Kelchner Fitness Center last Friday around 8 p.m. Miller is being held on $50,000 bail at the Tioga County Correctional Facility.

ATTEMPTED THEFT- Auntie Andy 0, 22, was arrested by Mansfield Police after holding up the registers at Lower Manser Dining Area, demanding flex dollars. When told that flex dollars were put directly onto cards, and there was no hard currency involved, he fled south into the South Hall construction site. He is being held on $1.2 million bail at the federal prison facility at Lewisburg.

ASSAULT- Meeshell Scandalandis, 22, of Cedarcrest, was taken into custody by Pennsylvania State Troopers for tackling several beefy and tough-like individuals randomly on campus. The 5'2 and 3/4", 110 pound woman allegedly toppled several of the university's larger male athletes with a single blind-side tackle. Scandalandis was released by police, after guards were unable to stop her, and they were hardly able to contain her.

ATTEMPTED LARCENY- Carrie Really Really Badyear, 20, fled police after she attempted to steal the clock from the main lobby at North Hall Library. Really Really Badyear was seen bringing several instruments of destruction and transport to the North Hall vicinity. After several attempts to remove the clock from its moorings, she fled as campus police responded. Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Really Really Badyear is urged to contact campus police for a substantial reward.

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On the Byline with Joe Seroski: Flashlight features stud and athlete extraordinare

BY CARLOS THE MAN
Trashlight Sex Symbol

In case you have been living under a rock for the past two years, you haven't noticed the man they call Joseph "King Pin" Seroski. In his tenure at Mansfield University Seroski has become the toughest editor on campus. Whether he is editing articles or playing squash, "King Pin" is dominating the playing field.

Carlos the Man: Where are you from?
King Pin: Does it matter?

CM:What is your major?
KP: Kicking a## and taking names

CM: When did you first realize that you were destined to be an editor:
KP:When I was born, my mothers womb bled red ink.

CM: What motivates you during the season?
KP: The destiny to be the best ever.

CM: What made you decide to attend Mansfield University?
KP: They were the only school that didn't test for steroids, so I knew I was a shoe in.

CM: How do you prepare yourself for every issue:
KP: Sleep five hours, eat three raw eggs and lift three pounds 1900 times with my wrists.

CM: How do you feel about your competition?
KP: I eat my competition for BRUNCH!! Competition doesn't exist in my vocabulary.

CM:Do you have somebody who you look up to?
KP: Well other than myself, I would have to say Emilio Estevez. He was just brilliant in the mighty ducks trilogy.

CM:What are some awards you have earned?
KP: Other than my usual oscars and Nobel prizes there is the Greatness Award!

CM: The Greatness Award?
KP: Yea, the Greatness award don't ask me again. I won it and I earned it.

CM: Is there any quotes you live by?
KP: I ate his liver with farver beans and a bottle of keyonte.

CM:Are you a part of any other athletic teams?
KP: The TV club, ETNW 59.8 The Little Person (it's the radio station) and I an captain of the squash team.

CM: The squash club?
KP: Yea there's a squash club, and I am the captain of it, stop making me repeat myself.

CM: Any movies that you particularly enjoy?
KP; Well I am a personal fan of that independent movie that came out last December, I believe it was entitled "Beer Pong: The Quest"

CM: Really, I heard that movie was amazing and the actors were outstanding, would you agree?
KP: Oh my heavens it took my breathe away. It is up there with such great movies "Gone with the Wind' and "The Godfather". Truly, it was a work of art.

PHOTO BY EMILIO VAN HOLSEN

Joe Seroski is the man on the campus of Mansfield University that nobody wants a piece of. He is being proclaimed as the toughest features editor in history. No matter what organization he is a part he is the man with that nobody can touch and nobody has.

Mansfield student stars in next film in "Rocky" series

By JOSE SALAMI
Trashlight Desperado

After starring in several small class film projects including the critically acclaimed short film "Beer Pong: The Quest," Mansfield University's Carl Frederick finally got his big break in acting.

MGM Studios announced Frederick would star as Rocky Balboa's rival in the next "Rocky" film in the series, "Rocky Goes to Space." Frederick plays John "The Big Cobra" Snake, a boxer rising quickly in the boxing ranks who challenges Balboa to have the first fight ever in space. Balboa, who has been retired for 10 years, is very reluctant about fighting "The Big Cobra" at first. But, going against his doctor's and family's orders, can never turn down a challenge.

Frederick had an extremely competitive casting audition, beating out three other people in the auditions. Training for the part was extensive and grueling for Frederick. The producers asked him to be in primo shape for this part.

"I had to eat 15 raw eggs a day and do a 1000 push-ups and sit-ups," Frederick said. "It was the best experience of my life."

Producers wanted to dye his hair blonde for the part because they hate his dark hair color. However, after Frederick refused, producers felt he was such an asset to the film they had no choice but to keep him.

"The chicks love my hair," Frederick said. "If I lose my hair, I lose the chicks and that can't happen."

Frederick got his big break when producers for the new "Rocky" film saw his performance in the short-film, "Beer Pong: The Quest." Critics said it was an amazing performance from the starting out actor. Frederick wrote and directed the film along with classmates Joe Seroski and Toby Motyka. Seroski remembers Frederick's performance very fondly.

"My face melted when I first saw him on screen," Seroski said. "He was a person who could make you laugh one minute and weep the next. The kid is amazing."

Motyka had similar comments regarding his experience working with Frederick.

"When they said I would be working with him I almost fainted. I never felt worthy of his greatness during the whole time filming," Motyka said.

Frederick's next film appearances include "White Snake Moan" and "Newspapers on a Plane."

After Stallone refused to play Rocky, producers had to get the closest look-a-like to Stallone they could. That is why they chose Jackie Chan to play the buff boxer. Although Chan has no experience playing boxers on the big screen, he knows quite a bit about martial arts.

"It's not gonna be a 'Rumble in the Bronx' this time, it's gonna be a rumble in space!" Chan said.

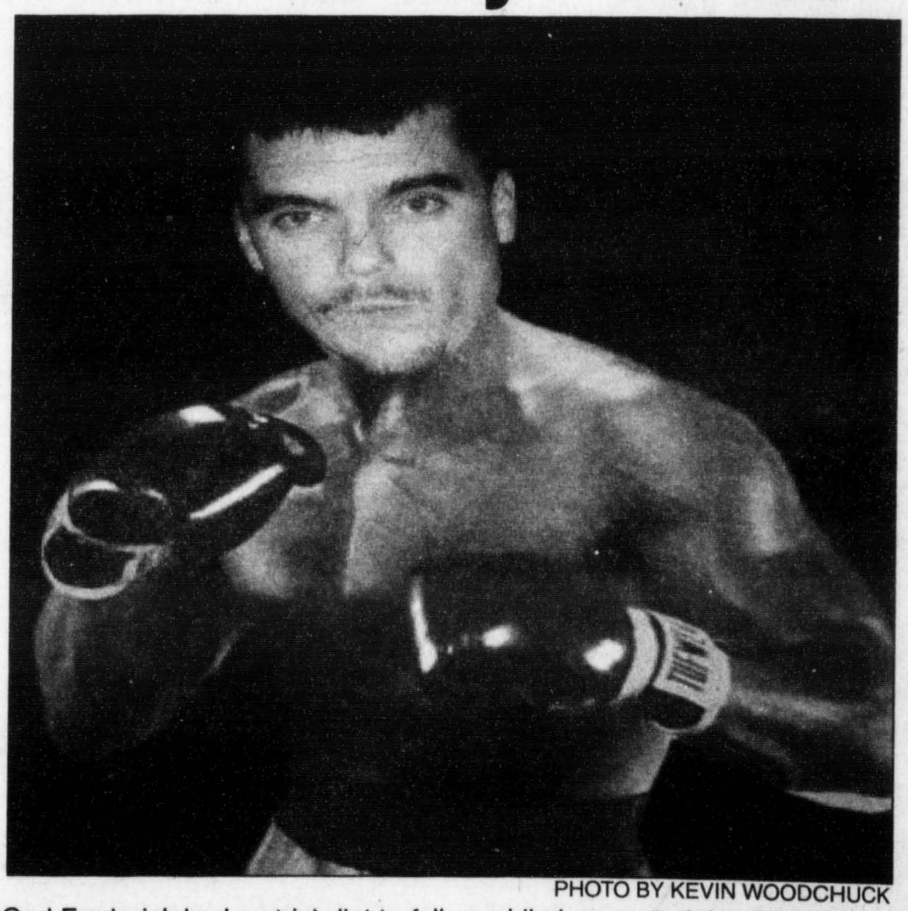

PHOTO BY KEVIN WOODCHUCK

Carl Frederick had a strict diet to follow while he was training for his part. Producers told him he couldn't eat any lettuce, vegetables, or fruit. The only drink he was allowed to consume was pure Salmon oil.

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Mansfield's "Golden Boy" accepts position of waterboy at Duke

Toby Motyka's dream turns out to be Carl Frederick's worst nightmare

By DENTYNE MILLER
Trashlight Sloppy Editor

Toby Motyka, the Flashlight co-sports editor, has recently been accepted into Duke University as the walk-on water boy for the Men's Basketball team.

Motyka is a closet Duke fan who came out just the other day after receiving an acceptance letter into their graduate school program. "I've always loved Duke, but I denied it because Carl Frederick, my co-editor, would make fun of me," Motyka said.

Since he was 5 years old, Motyka enjoyed watching Duke Basketball. His dream to become their water boy began when he saw the water boy on television interacting with the players. "I couldn't believe how cool the guys seemed on TV and I wanted to join the team," Motyka said.

Tragically, he got into a fight with his older sister not long after viewing that game. "She kicked me in my knee, hard. I haven't been able to run right since," Motyka said. "Yeah I'm sorry I kicked him," Toby's sister said. "But it worked out for him, didn't it?"

His dreams then turned to becoming the water boy. "It was the next best thing. I'm honored that I was chosen to be their water boy. Maybe someday, I'll be promoted to towel boy, but that's just a dream."

"I'm so proud of my baby," Toby's mother said. "He's going to be the best water boy Duke has ever seen. I can just see him now, getting awards for distributing water so quickly. He's always been athletic like that."

"I wish I could have been the water boy when JJ Redick was there. He's my hero," Motyka said. "My favorite game was the Duke versus Maryland game at Duke last year. When JJ began running, I knew something big was going to happen and he dunked it!"

Motyka then became sad, but fought back the tears. "I'm still broken up about Duke's loss to Virginia Commonwealth in the first round. I was so upset, and still am." A single tear fell down his cheek. He sniffled, "Duke will do better when I'm their water boy. Thanks to me they'll have enough water to get through the game and not get dehydrated. For now, the nightmares will plague my dreams for weeks to come."

He imagines his future as Duke's newest addition. "It's going to be great, drinking with Paulus and Henderson. Water I mean. One thing I am also sad about, I might not get to drink water with McRoberts. He entered his name in the draft," Motyka said.

"Yeah, Toby's excited to go. He's the golden boy," Frederick said with sarcasm. "Toby's probably going to suck anyways. I mean, who's a waterboy, honestly." "Carl got really jealous I'm going to Duke. He won't admit it, but I think he's a closet Duke fan, too. He just hasn't come out yet like I have," Motyka said.

"I can't wait to graduate and start handing out cups of water. This is the greatest opportunity that has ever been given to me."

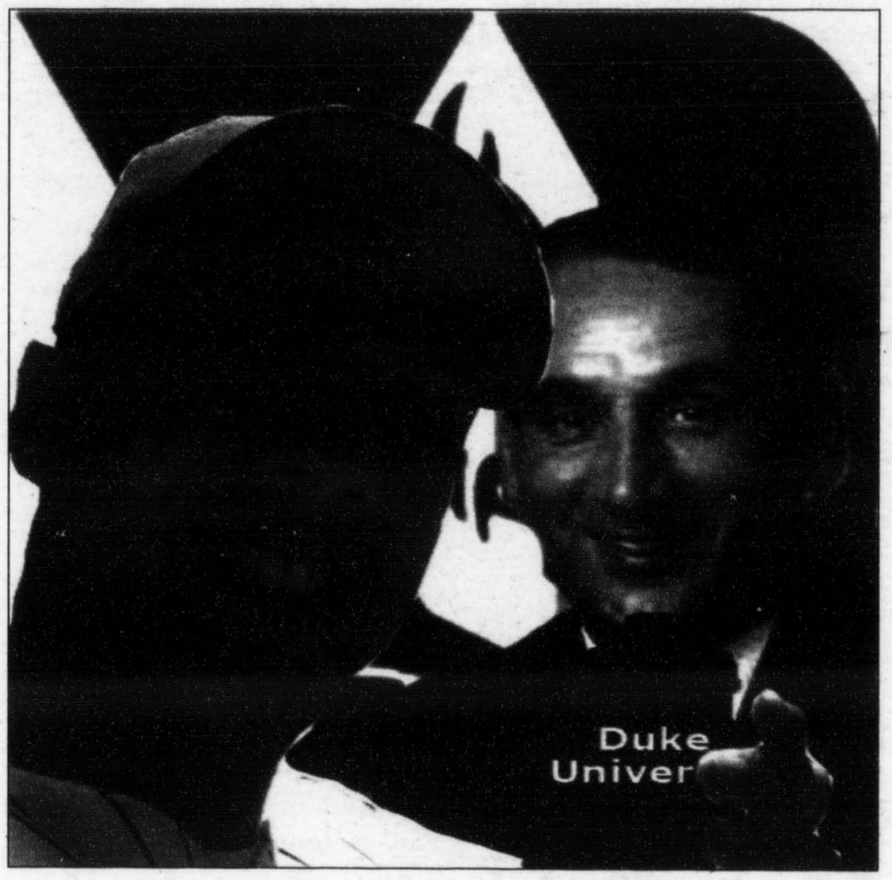


PHOTO BY DANELLE MILLER
After years and years (and more years still...) of public and personal denial, Toby Motyka finally showed his true colors by accepting the position of waterboy for the Duke University men's basketball team. Friend (yet bitter rival) Carl Frederick was pissed....to say the least.

Eric Bohannon brings synchronized swimming to Mansfield

Silky smooth legs and shapely figure turn heads around campus

By AUNTIE ANDY-O
Trashlight Sports Reject

A Mansfield University student who was a member of the now defunct football team has taken up a new hobby to occupy his time- synchronized swimming.

Eric Bohannon, a junior communications major, is attempting to start the first ever Mansfield Synchronized Swimming club, a feat he says will be no small task.

"I'm aware that there are some stigmas out there about synchronized swimming," said Bohannon. "I think that if people really take the time to look at it, they'll realize that there's more to synchronized swimming than just frilly pink bathing caps and silky smooth legs."

Bohannon says that his love for synchronized swimming has been nothing short of life-long.

"When I was three, I was in my Scooby-Doo inflatable pool in my backyard, and I remember I was lying on my back and kicking my legs up in the air at random," said Bohannon. "From there, I started bringing in rubber ducks and my action figures and trying to make them all float in a perfect circle around me, as I spat water out of my mouth like a fountain."

Kay Barrett, a commuter student, is optimistic about Bohannon's new venture. "I'm very excited for Eric," says Barrett. "I'm very happy for him, and I wish him the best of luck."

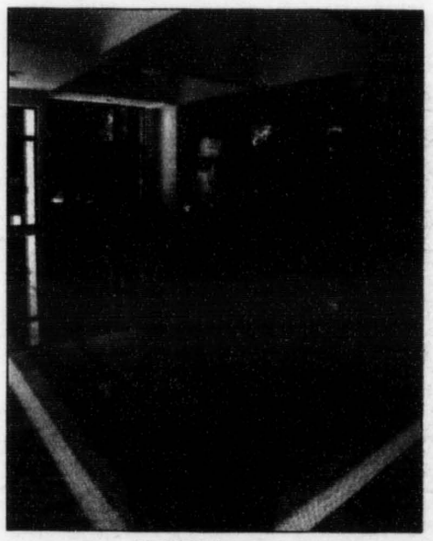
Bohannon addresses the fact that there may be some problems in recruiting for this new club at Mansfield University.

"I know that there are some guys who would be uncomfortable with some of the aspects of synchronized swimming, such as the wearing of the swimming caps, and shaving their legs," said Bohannon.

Bohannon is not concerned about the leg-shaving. "I've been doing it since I was at least twelve," says Bohannon. "It's actually quite nice once you get used to it."

Sign-ups for the club are scheduled to begin as soon as possible, so there can be a competitive team assembled for the fall. Interested parties are encouraged to contact Bohannon.

As he looks to the future, Bohannon hopes that he can garner enough attention to share his love of synchronized swimming with the world. "It's just a fabulous sport," said Bohannon. "I just want to be able to kick my legs high out of the water for all to see, and be proud of it."



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Junior Eric Bohannon is attempting to start up Mansfield's first syncronized swimming team.

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Snow shower, wind

High- 33°F
Overnight Low- 22°F

Information taken from weather.com

Maravene Loeschke officially inaugurated as 26th president of Mansfield University

By LAURA HALL
Flashlight Writer

Maravene Loeschke was inaugurated as Mansfield University's 26th President Friday, March 30 in Straughn Hall, amid much pomp and circumstance.

Many students partook in Loeschke's inauguration, by introducing speakers, leading the ceremony and by performing with the Symphony Orchestra, Concert Choir, and the Inaugural Band. Others were ushers and parking attendants.

After taking her oath of office Loeschke thanked everyone,

"This is an experience I will never have again," Loeschke said. "It is not possible to articulate how thankful I am for everyone being here."

- Loeschke then addressed students directly. "Be prepared for the unexpected opportunities that life gives you" she said. "Find love in your work."

Loeschke stressed that students should follow their dreams. "Ten or 20 years from now someone will win the Nobel Prize, someone is going to cure AIDS, someone is going to bring peace to the Middle East, and someone is going to start a new business in Tioga County. There is no reason on earth that that someone should not be you," Loeschke said.

Jody Hample is Chancellor of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education. "In her short time at Mansfield University, Dr. Loeschke has begun to establish a bold vision. One that seeks to continue to enhance the university's academic offerings, to expand its efforts in the community, to help strengthen the region economically and culturally and to enhance the university's image," Hample said.

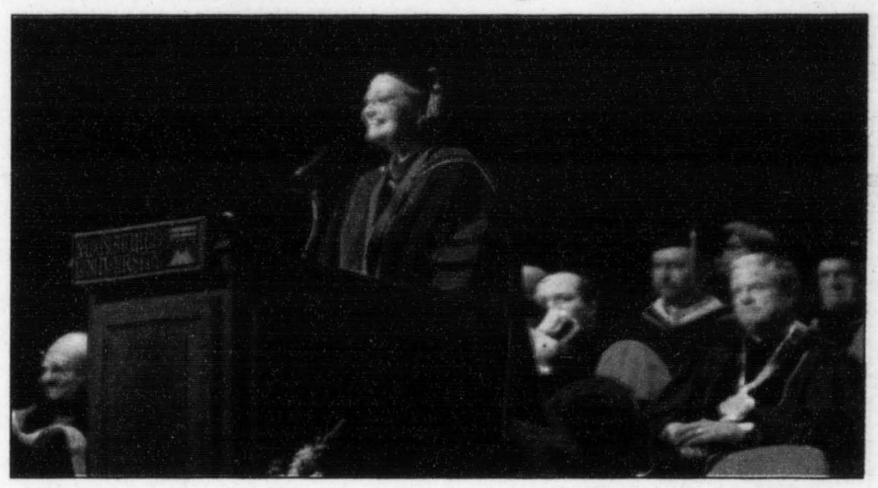


PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR
President Maravene Loeschke said she was "happy to take this journey" with the campus community.

Adrain McGrady, a sophomore music major, believes that Loeschke will make a good president. "She is very involved in the school and is a positive role model for students. She's willing to do things on her own free will like coming to band camp rehearsals. She's like a mother to all the students," McGrady said. "I thought the inauguration ceremony was really good and goes to show how many people support her in what she does."

"I am very happy to take this journey with you all," Loeschke said.

Mansfield University applies for admittance to the national Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Copy Editor

Mansfield University is applying for membership into the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges (COPLAC) school system.

If accepted into COPLAC, Mansfield University will be linked with 24 other small universities from around the country that are similar to Mansfield.

Dr. Michael Renner is the Provost of Mansfield University.

"[Joining COPLAC] will help get a group of other schools like us together to help get a leg up on solutions, said Renner. "It serves as a peer-support function that will help us learn what will and will not work for the university based on what has happened at other universities."

According to coplac.org, the organization has a strict set of guidelines in order for a university to be eligible to apply for membership. The organization looks for small, liberal arts colleges that are committed "to providing a superior education to undergraduate students. These selective institutions have be recognized nationally as outstanding in many diverse ways, including small classes, innovations in teaching, personal interactions with faculty, opportunities for faculty-supervised research and supportive atmospheres"

"COPLAC will help bring recognition to Mansfield," Renner said. "We'll have more tools to make the university better." If Mansfield is accepted into the program, there are two meetings that teachers will be able to attend. The meetings will be with similar departments from other COPLAC schools.

The first kind of meeting that instructors can attend is a business style meeting; the other is a "retreat" style meeting. In both instructors will learn about different institutions with the similar problems as Mansfield. "By attending these meetings, teachers will learn what similar departments have gone through and how to fix problems that come up," Renner said.

On March 19 a meeting was held where eight select students met with two representatives from COPLAC schools. The representatives asked questions about Mansfield and listened to the student's perspectives on the school.

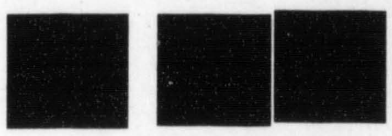
"The representatives wanted to make sure that Mansfield was a good fit for COPLAC," Renner said.

Jim Harrington is the director of Student Life and Leadership and chose the students who would represent Mansfield.

"The students were chosen because they represented a broad spectrum of majors and students in different classes," Harrington said. "The representatives wanted to get the view of students to see if Mansfield fits into the COPLAC mission."

"The students were open, constructive and expressed feelings that Mansfield would be a good fit. The representatives were 'blown away' by the student participation," Harrington said.

Weekly Weather



TODAY

Snow shower, wind

High: 33 Low: 22

FRIDAY

Snow shower

High:32 Low:17

SATURDAY

Snow shower

High: 29 Low:18

SUNDAY

Snow shower

High: 38 Low: 24

MONDAY

Partly cloudy

High:40 Low: 25

TUESDAY

Mostly sunny

High: 44 Low: 34

WEDNESDAY

Showers

High: 48 Low:36

Information taken from www.weather.com

SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE TO HOLD EVENT FOR STUDENTS

Bash for the Past, an event jam packed with entertainment, free food and giveaways will be held from 7–10 p.m. on Thursday, April 12 in "The Hut."

Bash for the Past is an event developed and implemented by public relations students to showcase the history of the university and many of its organizations. Among the organizations on hand will be the Interfraternal Council, Student Government Association, WNTE and many more. The History Club will also be there to offer information about the Time Capsule project.

Several solo acoustic acts will be performing their own original music including Kevin Woodruff, Allen Bennett, and Eric Czekner. Also, the Mansfield University Dance Team will be on hand to perform a routine as well as the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity performing their step routine.

Merchandise donated by the Sesquicentennial Committee will serve as giveaways throughout the night.

The event is free and open to the public. Pizza and soda will be provided at the event free of charge. Anyone needing more information is asked to contact Joe Seroski at seroskij@mounties.mansfield.edu.

The Sesquicentennial Committee is made up of members of Mansfield University and Mansfield Borough to develop and implement events to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the two together. The committees include local school outreach, parade float, house tour/banner sales, historic committee, gala committee, time capsule, Mansfield University time capsule, and fundraising. The celebration started on 1890s weekend 2006 and spans the entire year of 2007.

WALK AGAINST HUNGER

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2007 at 2 pm (registration: 1:30 pm)
Beginning at Smythe Park Pavilion in Mansfield
Money raised will benefit both the local food pantry and an organization committed to ending world hunger.
Sponsored by the Mansfield Area Food Pantry and the Mansfield Ministerium
Sponsor forms and envelopes can be picked up at the United Campus Ministry Office, 112 Pinecrest.
For more information, please call x4431.

WALK AGAINST GLOBAL WARMING

Noon on Saturday, April 14 - Meet at the Gazebo on the North End of Campus

In conjunction with Step It Up 2007's National Day of Climate Action, more than 1,000 rallies will be held all over the country to urge our political leaders and fellow citizens to take global warming seriously and cut carbon emissions by 80% by the year 2050. The Mansfield rally will begin at the Gazebo on campus at noon on Saturday, April 14. From there, we'll walk through town to the Bike Path behind Greco's. Digital images of the rally will be uploaded to the Step It Up website. Feel free to bring your own signs and banners. All interested students, faculty, staff, administrators, and community members are welcome. Student and community organizations are encouraged to participate. For more on the National Day of Climate Action, go to http://www.stepitup2007.org or contact julrich@mansfield.edu.

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

◆Mansfield University

◆Frederick Douglass Scholarships

The Frederick Douglass Institute is dedicated to promoting diversity and academic excellence at Mansfield University. Interested students may pick up applications in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center, Alumni Hall Student Center, or at Dr. Lynn Pifer's office, G 04b Belknap Hall.
For more information, visit: www.mansfield.edu/FDI/scholarship.htm

◆Seniors, help MU make this a better place for future classes. Give us your opinion in the 2007 Senior Survey. Win cool prizes like a $20 gift card from the campus bookstore. The survey will run until May 10th. All completed surveys will be entered into a drawing, where up to fourteen students could win a special prize plus the first 20 students will receive a free gift, just for returning the survey. So get out there and take the survey!

◆Relay for Life will be held at Kelchner Fitness Center on April 27 and 28 from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. All are welcome. We are looking for 8 more teams! There is a Survivors Ceremony at 7 p.m. and a Luminary Service at 8 p.m. Activities will be held all night. FMI contact biebert@mounties.mansfield.edu

Mansfield student places second in media arts competition

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University junior Eric Czekner was pleasantly surprised when he found out he came in second place in the festival of media arts competition in the promos and commercials category.

"Nobody told me anything, Dr. Hoy told me to check out the website and I found out I tied for second," Czekner said.

Czekner sent in his 38 second liner to the competition in December. The liner, which is played on Mansfield's radio station, was heard by three judges who gave their criticism and comments on the piece.

"I was awe-struck; I didn't think there was any way I could pull this off. I'm overjoyed and incredibly honored," Czekner said.

The competition was National with winners coming from schools such as Colorado State and Appalachian State, to name a few. "I just enjoy working with the equipment and to get an award for doing what I love to do is a great feeling," Czekner said. "The piece is a little more elaborate than normal. It took some time to finish. When I was finished, the total time I worked on it was about an hour which is longer than they normally take," Czekner said.

Czekner realizes this is not where it stops. "The award is great, but its still only second place. There's no way I'm going to stop now. I have to keep moving on and keep doing what I enjoy."

Czekner has come to know the equipment as second nature. "I know the programs pretty well. I can fly through it now. It's something you have to learn, but when you do, you can do it pretty quick," Czekner said.

With the award, Czekner gets the chance to fly to Las Vegas, Nevada for the Media of Arts conference. Czekner has to pay his own way but is hoping the radio station can cover some of the costs.

Czekner is the production director of the radio station and is in charge of recording for the station and also the music that is played on the air during the time when nobody is in the station. He plans on going to Sweden to study abroad in the fall.

Women's studies program hosts Islamic comic Tissa Hami

By ISAAC PRAGLE
Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University women's study program hosted Tissa Hami the Islamic comic on March 27 as part of the inaugural events for Dr. Maravene Loeschke.

Hami is a native of Iran who moved to the Boston area when she was a young girl with her family. She is one of only a few female Muslim stand-up comics in the world.

Her performance featured two parts. The first was done in a traditional Islamic hijab. By wearing the hijab Hami hopes to break down the barriers between Muslim women and the world and improve these relations as well. Her routine featured a wide variety of topics including her mother, the white people who are always fascinated with people from other countries, and even Muslim prayers. One comment she made early off about her being Iranian was that "I don't ride camels, I don't live in a cave, but piss me off I take you hostage."

After she did an "Islamic striptease" with her hijab Hami moved on to the second part of her routine, entitled A Funny Thing That Happened on the Way to the Mosque. It featured some life lessons that Hami has learned form the comedy circuit that college students can use in their own lives. Two of the bigger points that she made include that you cannot please everyone. "It's just impossible," said Hami "Just do what you think is right." Hami has received so many letters of praise about what she does, but every once in a while will receive some pretty nasty letters too.

She went on to say that not everyone will appreciate what you do, but there is always someone who will. Her other major point is that you can't prejudge your audience. You never know who will relate to what you have to say.

Alyssa Moore is a junior English major who was very empowered by Hami. "She is a modern day Buddha, truly eye-opening, "said Moore.

Hami discussed her trip to Kansas were she thought that no one would get what she had to say. She almost backed down after she learned the town was once home to a group of Nazi supporters. She didn't back down, and when she was finished with her show she received a standing ovation.

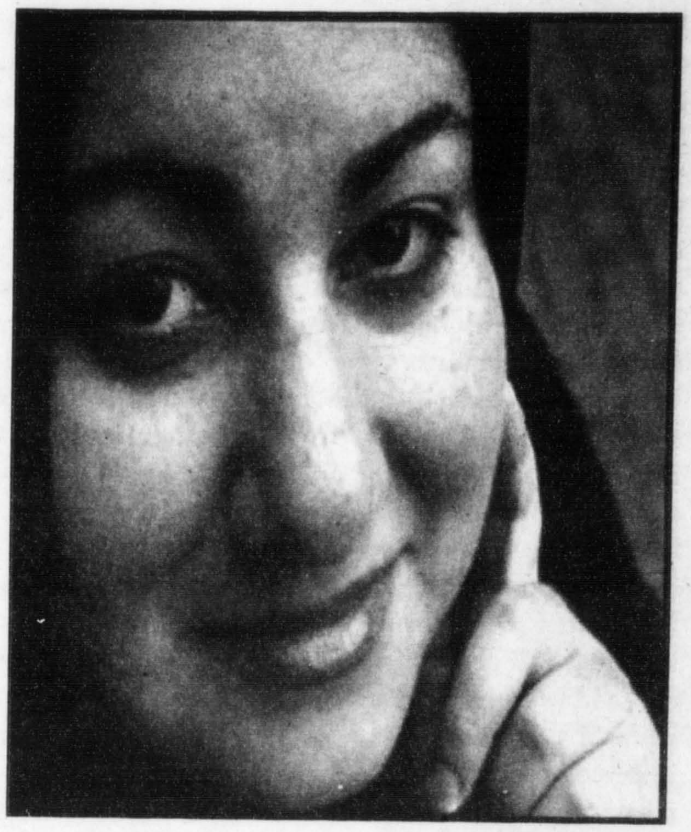


PHOTO FROM WWW.TACOMACC.EDU
The Mansfield women's study program hosted Tissa Hami, the Islamic Comic. The performance was part of the week-long presidential inaugural events.

After her routine Hami took questions from the audience and told a little bit more about her background. She graduated from two different Ivy League schools with a Bachelor's and Master's degrees in international affairs. She did a stint on Wall Street, but just never really got into it. She began going to a comedy class and things just took off from there.

Hami has performed all over the United States for numerous groups and organizations..

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ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Mansfield University Leo Club will be hosting a Sweetheart Dinner, from 6-9 p.m. on Thursday, April 12, 2007. This dinner will be held at the First Presbyterian Church located on Wellsboro Street in Mansfield. There will be spaghetti, salad, desert and drink for only $10 per couple, or $7 per individual. There will also be a bake sale and proceeds from both will benefit Mansfield University's Relay for Life.

For more information, please call
(570) 916-2936.

Guest speakers discuss environmental concerns

By JILL KAUFFMAN
Special to the Flashlight

Mansfield University hosted four speakers to discuss environmental issues on Wednesday, March 28 in Alumni Hall.

The four speakers were: Dr. Jennifer Demchak, a Mansfield University professor; Jim Weaver, county planner; Dr. Robert Ross, a research ecologist; and Paul Otruba, member of Riverkeepers.

Demchak gave a presentation about the new Watershed Management emphasis offered by the Geography department. Demchak was hired to develop and teach the program at Mansfield University.

Demchak believes education is important. "If people learn and understand what the issues are, they are better able to make a difference, get involved or change their behavior. It is a way to empower people to go out and get involved," Demchak said.

Ross was the second speaker. He is an ecologist who works with the United State Geological Survey. He presented "Clean Streams and Wetlands: Restoring Babb Creek and showcasing the muck in Tioga County." His presentation focused on the restoration of Babb Creek, a Tioga county watershed.

Babb Creek's waters were contaminated from acid mine drainage. Ross believes it is important to clean up area watersheds and Demchak agrees.

"Cleaning up our local watersheds is important to insure the sustainability for future generations. It is something I am passionate about and I want to develop that passion in others," Demchak said.

Weaver was the next speaker. He is the county planner for Tioga County. He focused on agriculture and agriculture preservation. His presentation was about the development that occurs in an area over time. The Tioga County Planning Commission tracks growth and land use patterns.

Otruba was the last speaker. Otruba is the Upper Susquehanna Riverkeeper. He is involved with keeping rivers clean and looking for solutions to acid mine drainage. He is also finishing his degree at Mansfield University.

Otruba believes it is important to take care of the environment. "This is your world and you have to be environmental advocates," Otruba said. Student Greg Lech attended the lecture and agrees with Otruba. "I think what he said is important. We need to take care of the environment," Lech said.

The lecture was part of Mansfield University's theme this year, which is Environmental Advocacy: Preserving the World for the Future.

Special concert featuring original piece commissioned by Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia performed at Steadman Theater

By CARRIE GOODYEAR
Flashlight Staff Writer

Mansfield University Music Department presented an inaugural concert on March 29th at 7:30 pm in Steadman Theater.

The concert featured the Mansfield University concert choir, the symphonic orchestra, the concert wind ensemble and the brothers of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.

The concert opened with the concert choir. The choir performed five songs and closed with a song entitled "It Takes a Village." During this song, the choir was joined by Mansfield mayor, Tom Wierbowski and Mansfield University President, Dr. Maravene Loeschke.

"It was fun singing," Wierbowski said. "Dr. Dettweiler suggested that we come up and join the choir. [The song] represented the university and the borough."

Following the concert choir, the symphonic orchestra, directed by Dr. Kenneth Sarch, took the stage. After the symphonic orchestra, the concert wind ensemble conducted by Dr. Adam F. Brennan and graduate student Aaron Roberts performed.

Music Department Chair, Dr. Adam F. Brennan wrote the finale of the concert. The piece was entitled "Red, Black, and Gold." The Beta Omicron chapter of Phi Mu Alpha commissioned the piece.

Joseph Mitchell is a junior music major and a brother of Phi Mu Alpha. "The piece was commissioned for the Beta Omicron's 75th anniversary," Mitchell said.

Mitchell has been a brother of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia for the past two years. He was also the chapter president last year. "I thought it was cool that [Dr. Brennan] wrote a piece that incorporated everyone. There weren't any musicians left out," Mitchell said.

Mayor Wierbowski is an alumni brother of the Beta Omicron chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. "Dr. Brennan's piece was very emotional for me. I am a life member of Phi Mu Alpha," Wierbowski said.

PHOTO FROM MANSFIE.D.EDU
Music department chair Dr. Adam F. Brennan composed and directed "Red, Black and Gold."

Dr. Loeschke was also impressed by "Red, Black and Gold." "The concert was magnificent; Dr. Brennan's piece was wonderful," Loeschke said.

SGA Update

BY FEMI OGUNDELE
Flashlight Writer

This week at Student Government, the Senate voted on possible changes to the constitution. The senate chose not to change the constitution and uphold the 2.5 requirement to be eligible for the President position. They also voted that the SGA advisor must be an individual who reports directly to the University President.

Senate also spoke about the installation of monitors in the academic buildings and residents halls that will display the times and location of campus organization meetings. This will make students aware of any changes or cancellations that may occur. Student Government is looking to install these monitors at the beginning of next semester.

Campaigning for Student Government is already in progress as yesterday was the Student Government's "Meet the Candidates." Currently Robyn Travisano, Mike Conaway and Sharon Thomas are running for Student Government President. Shantee Proctor and Tessa Bieber will be facing off for the position of Vice President. Students will have another chance to hear the candidates on Monday and again on Wednesday. On Monday at 2 p.m., students will hear the candidates speak on the handling of money through Committee on Finance and the Student Activity Fee.

On Wednesday at noon, candidates will be available to speak on their goals and visions as they take on the executive roles. For questions, comments, or concerns students are encouraged to stop by the Student Government office located in 321 Alumni Hall.

Mansfield University Sesquicentennial Time Capsule Project

The Mansfield University History Club is collecting donations for a time capsule to be dedicated this fall during the sesquicentennial celebration of the university.

The club is looking for donations of photos, flyers, T-shirts, writings, and other small items that show what life is like on campus in the year 2007.

All donations can be taken to room 213 Pinecrest Manor Mon.-Fri. between 8 a.m. and noon, as well as 1-4 pm.

If you have any questions please contact Lindsay Rossi for more information at rossila@mountiesmansfield.edu

Mansfield University Events Calendar

Thursday, April 5

Friday, April 6

Saturday, April 7

Sunday, April 8

Monday, April 9

Event: SGA Presidential election- Candidates views on COF and student activity fees- 2-3 p.m., AHSC 317

Tuesday, April 10

Event: Lecture Series Event-
Dr. Kathleen Carico, Education, Bobbi Button, Belinda Houghtalen-Barnes, and Karin Knaus-
Teacher Research in Beginning Teachers' Classrooms: This project focused on tracking and assisting beginning teachers' attempts to conduct teacher research projects in their public school classrooms. Faculty Professional Development Committee Alternate Wor Assignment grant recipients. 5-6 p.m., AHSC 307

Wednesday, April 11

Event: SGA Presidential election- Candidates goals and visions for the next year, 12-1 p.m., AHSC 317

Music: Bill Phillips performs in AHSC Food Court/ Jazzman's Cafe for your lunchtime enjoyment! 12-1 p.m.

Thursday, April 12

Event: Job Fair - Kelchner Fitness Center, 12- 3 p.m. - All majors, all years welcome. Full time, part time and internship opportunities. Bring your resume! Business attire is required. For more information contact the Career Development Center at x4133.

What in the World News in a Flash

By ANDREW OSTROSKI
Flashlight News Co-Editor

WORLD NEWS

SOLOMON ISLANDS- At least 13 people are dead after a pair of offshore earthquakes triggered a tsunami that hit the Solomon Islands in the south Pacific. A total of dead is not yet known, as there are still almost two dozen people missing. The tsunami was triggered by a pair of earthquakes about 75 miles south of the Solomon Islands. The first quake registered an 8.0 reading on the Richter scale, with the second one reaching 6.7. Most of the Pacific rim received tsunami warnings after the first quake, including warnings issued for much of the northern coast of Australia, and the Hawaiian islands. The tsunami that hit the Solomons was caused by the first quake. Many coastal areas were devastated by waves reaching three to ten meters in height. Much of the damage to some of the affected areas was caused by the initial earthquake. Damage is expected to reach into the millions of dollars.

VATICAN CITY- Supporters of the late Pope John Paul II have taken the first steps toward having the Pope named as a saint. The first step to becoming a saint is to have a proof of a purported miracle. Two miracles must be presented to become a saint. The miracle that has first been brought forth is the case of Sister Marie Simon-Pierre, who was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease at the time of the Pope's death. Two months later, the 46-year-old nun's Parkinson's inexplicably disappeared. The Pope suffered from the same disease. Documents involving this case as well as over 130 written personal accounts about Pope John Paul II were sealed with wax and ribbon. Many Catholics believe that while he has not been officially issued sainthood, that Pope John Paul II is already a saint. The current Pope, Pope Benedict fast-tracked Pope John Paul's journey to sainthood by eliminating the rule to wait five years after the person's death before the process can begin.

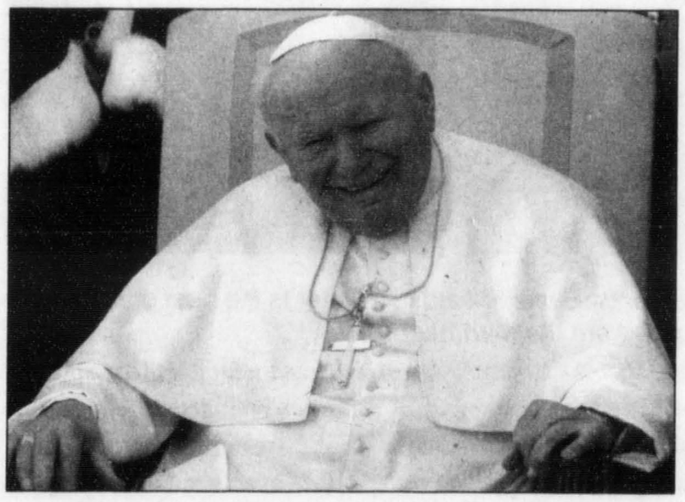


PHOTO FROM DETROITNEWS.COM
Pope John Paul II, orignally a cardinal from Poland, passed away in the spring of 2005.

KIEV, Ukraine- Ukrainian President Viktor Yushchenko has called for early elections after he dissolved the nation's parliament, an order which the parliament has ignored. The events are projected to cause more turmoil in the Baltic nation that has seen its share of political issues in recent years. Yushchenko is being challenged for control of the government by Prime Minister Viktor Yanukovych. After the denouncing of parliament and the announcement of the early election, parliament gathered and vowed to block any funding that would be scheduled for the elections. Former members of Yushchenko's cabinet defected to the Yanukovych camp a month ago, breaking constitutional law, and fueling the argument between the two opposing leaders. The battle between Yushchenko and Yanukovych stretched back to 2004 when the two fought a hard battle for control of the nation, which led to intense protests in the streets.

LOCAL NEWS

NICKEL MINES, Pennsylvania- Students are returning to classes at the new Nickel Mines schoolhouse in Lancaster County, after the shooting in October that killed five of their classmates. The New Hope Amish School is replacing the West Nickel Mines Amish School House, which was demolished not long after the shootings. The new site is just a few hundred yards from where the old building stood. The New Hope building now contains a telephone, which was tragically absent from the original schoolhouse, preventing anyone from dialing 911. A steel door was also placed on the front of the building. Five of the girls who were wounded in the attack have returned to school, while one is still on a feeding tube. There was also a police presence at the opening, with a Pennsylvania State Police cruiser at the entrance road to the schoolhouse. The building was used with some of the over $4 million given to the Nickel Mines Accountability Fund.

WAVERLY, New York- Leaders of the village of Waverly have passed a law that will ban skateboarding in the town. Citing complaints from local merchants, the Village Board of Trustees voted to ban skateboarding in the town's business district, on public streets, on sidewalks, in parks, and in parking lots of local businesses in churches. Proposed penalties for offenders are $50 for the first offense and $100 for every following offense. Skating will still be allowed on private property, but only if the property's owner approves. While calls have been made for a skate park, the mayor of Waverly says that no plans are in the works for that. The law has been sent for review to the state house in Albany.

All information taken from cnn.com and wetmtv.com

Review: "Blades of Glory" another comedic hit for Will Ferrell

By KATE KEOUGH
Special to the Flashlight

"Blades of Glory," starring Will Ferrell and Jon Heder, skated its way past the family friendly "Meet the Robinsons" for box office "glory," receiving first-place gold with $33 million in ticket sales, nearly $10 million more than any of its competition.

The movie is Will Ferrell's second depiction of a sports related "spoof," and just as he did in "Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby," he maintains the essence of respect for the sports fans, while elaborating on its foundation's cliches with ridiculous; yet glorious humor.

Will Ferrell plays Chazz Michael Michaels, ice skating's rebel who's routine is described as "sex on ice," and go figure, he just so happens to have a sex addiction. His character delivers the same type of punchline humor as Ricky Bobby in "Talladega Nights," without the whole "I can't believe somebody capable of driving is incapable of rational thoughts."

His rival, Jimmy MacElroy, is played by Jon Heder who's dubbed as ice skating's "orphan prodigy."

He's unlike Chazz Michael Michaels in every way except for their love of ice skating. Even their technique is different; Ferrell's Michaels is more impromptu while Heder's MacElroy is more practical. Jon Heder steps outside his boundaries of playing a typical "slacker" role ("Napolean Dynamite," "School for Scoundrels") and delivers a performance in which any judge would score "perfect."

When their rivalry breaks into a fight on ice and they're barred from competing, it's up to one man and one man alone to reinvigorate their love for the sport, and that one man just so happens to be their "coach." Craig T. Nelson plays the "coach," an excellent rip-off of his character with the same name and title as the early 90's sitcom. He forces these two men to coincide and compete in pairs' competition.

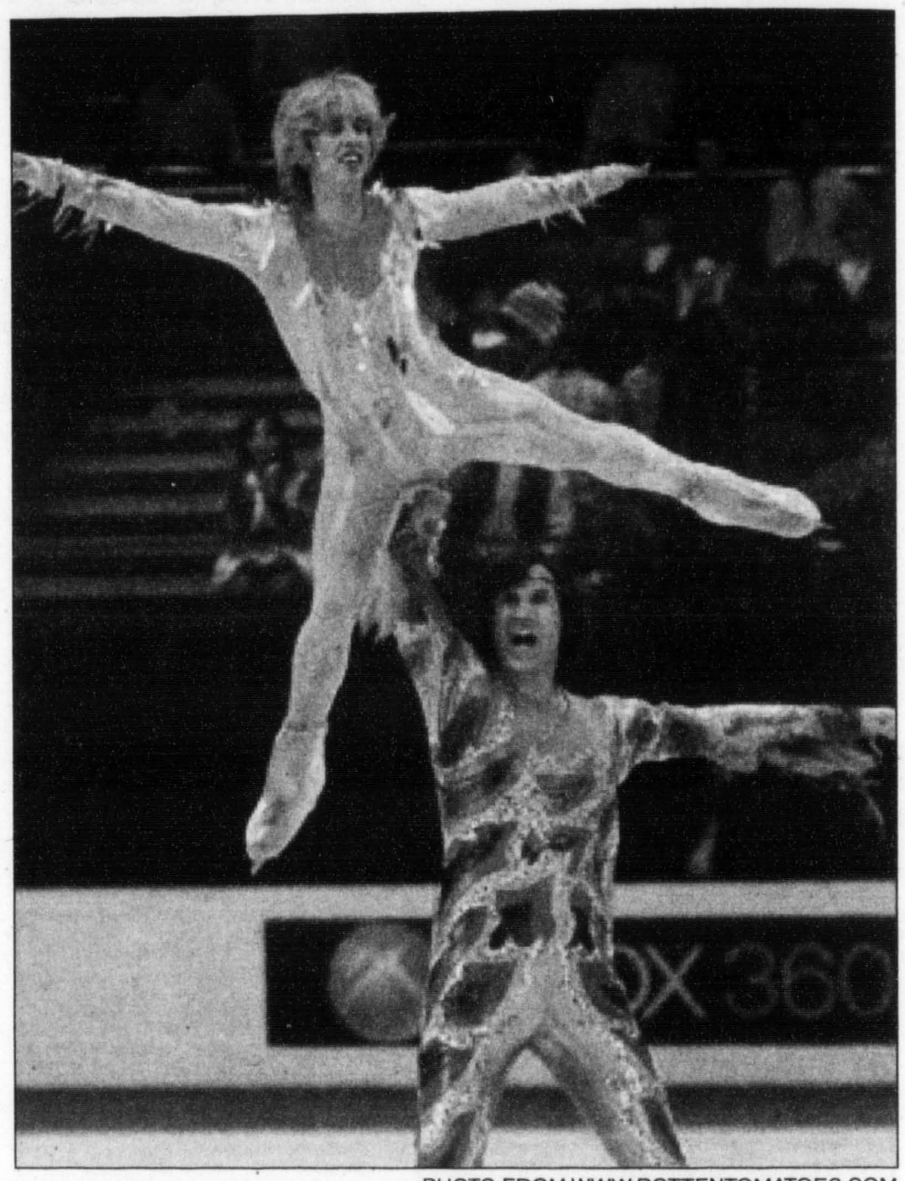
The pairing of Chazz Michael Michaels and Jimmy MacElroy creates a media buzz, and in that same light, a new rivalry. "Chazz Michael Michaels ice skating" is no longer the story Will Ferrell's character told in the beginning of the movie. "Jimmy MacElroy and Chazz Michael Michaels are ice skating" is the new story, and their rivals don't appreciate it.

After overcoming the trickery of their fierce pairs' rivals and enemies "the Van Waldenbergs," played by Will Arnett ("Let's Go To Prison") and Amy Poehler (Saturday Night Live), they have to overcome the mystical and fatal "Iron Lotus." Once they accomplish this death defying move, they're awarded the gold medal.

"It's not the ice," Heder explains to his eventual girlfriend when asked about his love for skating, "it's what the ice lets me do. "In "Blades of Glory," the ice lets the entire cast do an excellent job portraying the world of ice skating with comedic and viewer friendly homoerotic satire with sparkling glittery costumes and makeup for the men.

The audience is left with a sense of pride...patriotic even for our American skaters, even though they're sitting in a theater watching a comedy and not at the Olympics.

This won't be Will Ferrell's last sports genre comedy either; he plans on passing jokes back and fourth with Woody Harrelson on the court in "Semi-Pro," a spoof about the American Basketball Assocation. Check for that in theaters sometime in 2008.



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Wall Street Journal critic Joe Morgenstern said "Blades of Glory" is "blissfully silly, triumphantly tasteless and improbably hilarious."

Panel of nutrition experts says people need to watch what they drink

By JOE SEROSKI
Flashlight Features Co-Editor

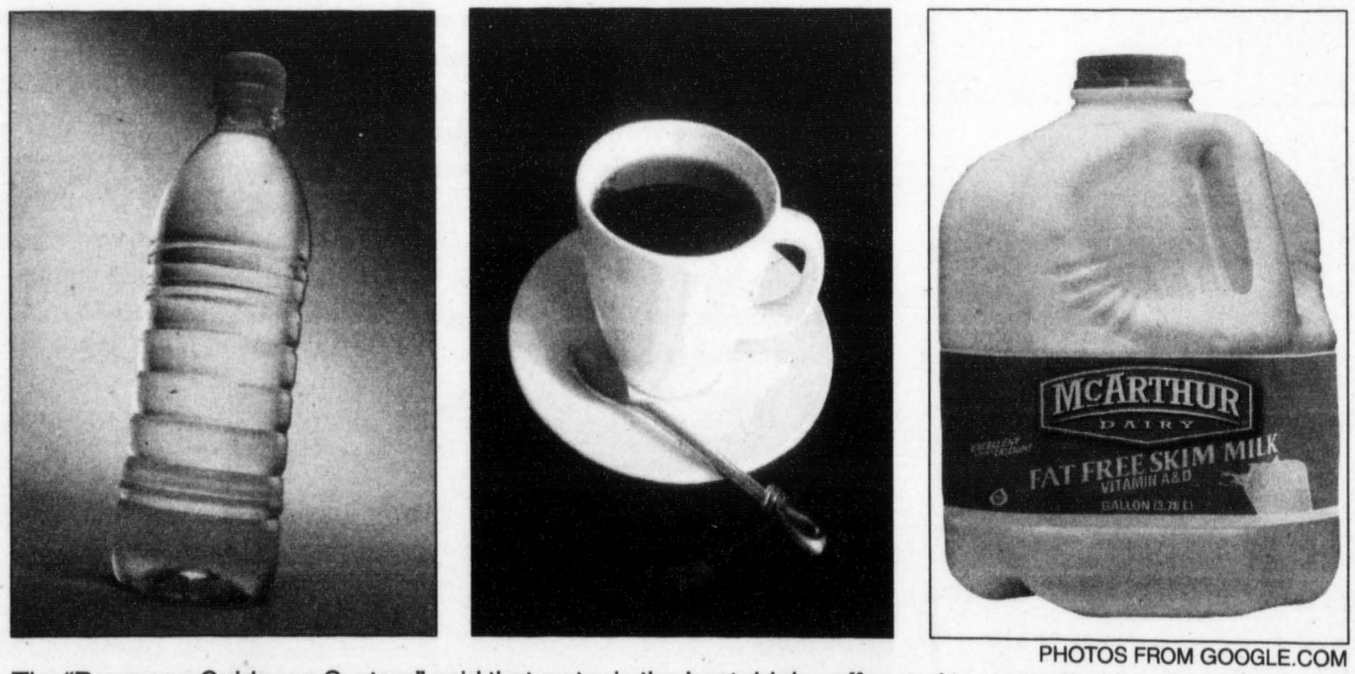
New research has shown that you not only have to worry about what you eat, but what you drink now.

Last year a panel of experts on nutrition launched a "Beverage Guidance System" in an attempt to get people to stop drinking calories which do nothing for their nutrition. The panel was led by Barry M. Popkin, a nutrition professor at the University of North Carolina.

The panel reviewed 146 published reports to locate the best evidence for the effects of different beverages on several health problems including decaying teeth, diabetes, obesity and many more.

The top of the list of preferred drinks is water. However, the panel was concerned with bottled water that has fortified nutrients because they believed consumers may feel they wouldn't need to eat nutritious food that contains substances such as fiber and phytochemicals.

According to the panel, about 21 percent of calories consumed by Americans over the age of 2 come from beverages, mostly soft drinks and fruit drinks with added sugars. The calories found in the sugary drinks account for around half the rise of calorie intake by Americans since the late 1970s.



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The "Beverage Guidance System" said that water is the best drink, coffee and tea were tied for second best and low-fat and skim milk were the third best.

Calories are only part of the problem. The panel also said these beverages do little or nothing to curb your appetite, and people do not compensate for the calories they drink by eating less.

Soft drinks have contributed to other health problems. According to the American Academy of General Dentistry, noncola carbonated beverages and canned sweetened iced tea hurt tooth enamel, more so when beverages are consumed away from meals. Also, a study of 2,500 adults in Massachusetts showed cola (regular and diet) aids in the thinning of hip bones in women.

The panel suggested drinking fruit juice if you must satisfy that sweet drink craving.

The news is better when it comes to coffee, tea and caffeine drinks. Several studies have associated regular coffee consumption with a reduced risk of developing type 2 diabetes, colorectal cancer, and in adults who have not taken postmenopausal hormones, Parkinson's disease. Most studies have not correlated caffeine consumption to heart disease. On the other hand, a study of more than 600 men revealed that drinking three cups of coffee a day protects against age-related memory and thinking defects.

The panel said alcohol is good in moderate consumption – one drink a day for women and two for men. It has been linked to lower mortality rates, especially from heart attacks and strokes, and it might also be responsible for lowering the risk of Type 2 diabetes and gallstones. They also found inconclusive information that one type of alcohol was better than another.

The panel rated low-fat and skim milk the third best beverage to consume, behind water and coffee and tea. Milk has many essential nutrients for the body.

Information from www.nytimes.com

Five reasons to stay awake during your exit loan interview

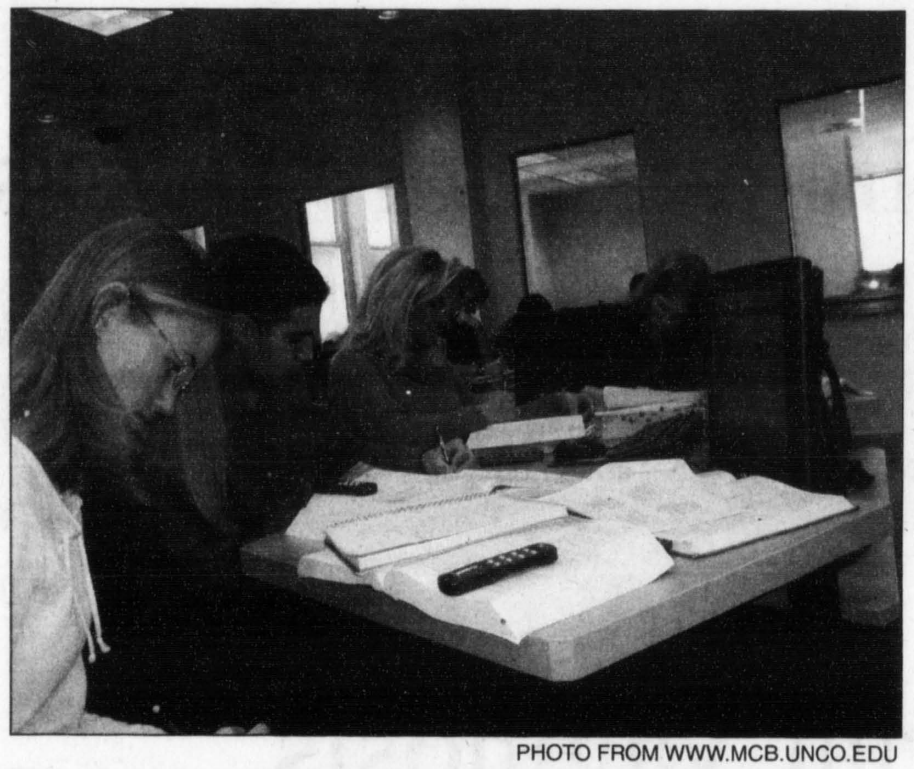
If you're a college senior who's borrowed federal student loans, this month you'll probably be hearing from your Financial Aid Office about something called an Exit Interview. As a federal student loan borrower, you're required to attend the Exit Interview so that you can learn about your repayment rights and responsibilities.

American Student Assistance®, a nonprofit that helps students manage higher education debt, offers a friendly reminder that, in addition to Exit Interview time, April is National Financial Literacy Month and a great time to start thinking about your finances post-graduation. Even though you've got a million other things going on right now, like final exams, graduation and job hunting, don't blow off – or sleep through - this important session. Here are five things to pay special attention to during your Exit:

1. Total balance and monthly payments. At your Exit you'll be given a summary of the total amount you owe (remember to breathe!) and a schedule of estimated payments. Now you can see just how much your student loans will cost you each month and what adjustments you may have to make in your budget.

2. The "Grace Period" for repayment. Student loan repayment for May graduates typically begins after a six-month grace period. November may seem like a long way off, but time flies. Make room in your budget now; don't get caught off-guard when the first student loan bill arrives in the mail.

3. Who you'll be making payment to. The company that collects payment on your student loan (typically called a servicer) will probably send you your first bill or coupon book near the end of your grace period. But if they don't, it's still your responsibility to make payment on time, so hold on to their contact information. If you don't yet know where you're going to live after graduation, make sure that you notify your servicer once you do find permanent housing so they can update their records. Making sure all your creditors have your correct address is the first step to establishing good credit.



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The online exit counseling session was made to ensure that students understands their rights and responsibilities as direct lown borrowers.

4. Your repayment options. Your loans will probably start out with the traditional 10-year repayment term. But if you can't start repayment because you don't find a job or you're continuing your education, you may be able to temporarily postpone payment. Contact your servicer to see if you qualify. If the monthly payment amount is too high, ask about a different repayment plan. Unlike most consumer debt, federal student loans actually give you several different options, from extended repayment, to interest-only payments for the first few years, to an income-sensitive plan or consolidation. You should also ask about interest-rate reductions or other benefits for on-time or automatic payments.

5. Who to call if you have a problem. Missed student loan payments can ruin your credit, make you ineligible for future financial aid, and possibly even stop you from getting a job. If you have a hard time making your monthly payment, tell your servicer. Ignoring the problem and ducking the collection calls will only make things worse. Since you and your servicer both have the same goal of successful repayment, they should work with you to find a solution.

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New study finds that speed reading may be physically impossible

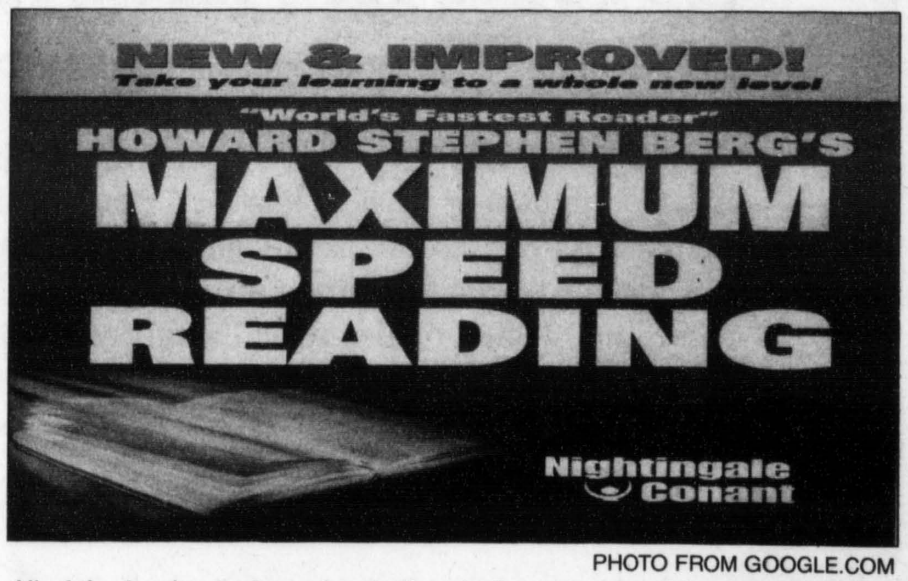
By DAN RYAN
Flashlight Writer

It has happened to almost every college student. Upon realizing one must read an abundance of pages in the smallest of time constraints, he or she will make the decision to speed read the section. Unfortunately for college students, a new study has found that speed reading just won't do the job.

The study was conducted by Gordon Legge, a vision researcher at the University of Minnesota. It found that our eyes can only focus on one particular part of a page at a time. This only allows our eyes to process the spot our eyes are looking at on the page and about ten letters surrounding that area.

This tiny window of vision is known as the visual pan. Gordon Legge's results show that beyond that visual pan it is much harder to comprehend what is on the page. "The rest of the letters are just a blur," Legge said in an interview with msnbc.com.

Legge also adds that the key to comprehending what we are reading is eye movement. The average reading speed is 250 to 300 words per minute. Breaking this number down, it is found that the eye makes about four movements per second which will read four or five words per second.



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All of the books, tests and websites dedicated to teaching how to speed read may be moot, according to Legge's study.

The study proved that trying to read more than 300 hundred words in one minute is next to impossible simply because of the constraints on the human visual pan.

Trying to speed read a section is not the only thing that will affect the reader's comprehension. Legge's study found that print with poor contrast, reading small print or print with strange spacing can lead to a difficult reading experience.

As for Legge's personal feelings towards speed reading, his opinion is short and to the point. "Speed reading is misleading," Legge said.

Legge's research will be published in the March issue of the Journal of Vision according to msnbc.com.

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Pelvic Inflammatory Disease

Pelvic Inflammatory Disease (PID) refers to infection of the uterus, fallopian tubes, and other reproductive organs. Many cases of PID is associated with gonorrhea and chlamydia. Those under the age of 25 are more likely to develop PID than those over 25. Symptoms of PID can be mild or not occuring. Some symptoms may include fever, painful intercourse, painful urination, and pain in the upper abdomen.

• 1 in 4 teenagers contracts an STD every year

Bacterial Vaginosis

Bacterial Vaginosis is correlated to an imbalance in the bacteria that are normally found in a woman's vagina. There are good and harmful bacteria in a woman's vagina, and BV happens when an increase in hamful bacteria is found. Symptoms of BV are burning and itching and irregular discharges.

• One in two sexually active persons will contact an STD/STI by age 25

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Trichomoniasis

Trichomoniasis is the most common curable STD among young, sexually active women. The disease is caused by the protozoan parasite. Women can get the disease from men or women, however, men usually only contract the disease from women. The symptoms include discomfort during urination and intercourse, and itching of the genital area. Symptoms usually occur within 5 to 28 days.

• Less than half of adults ages 18 to 44 have ever been tested for an STD other than HIV / AIDS.

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Syphilis

Syphilis is an STD caused by the bacterium *Treponema pallidum*. Many of it's symptoms are indistinguishable from other diseases. It is passed from person to person through direct contact with a syphilis sore, which can be located on the external genitals, vagina, anus or in the rectum. Transmission occurs through vaginal, anal or oral sex. Many people infected with syphilis will not have symptoms for years, yet remain at risk for complications. The primary stage is marked by the appearance of a single sore, called the chancre, and the sore is usually firm, round, small and painless. The sore last about three to six weeks, and may heal without treatment. If treatment is not recieved, the disease will keep progressing. In 2002, there were 32,000 cases of Syphilis.

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Hepatitis B is a liver disease caused by the Hepatitis B Virus. Symptoms of Heptatitus B include yellow skin or jaundice, tiredness, loss of appetite, nausea, abdominal discomfort, dark urine, grey-colored bowel movements, or joint pain. Hepatitis B is spread by exposure to infected blood from skin puncture or contact with mucous membranes. People are at risk who share razors or toothbrushes with others that have Hepatitis B, shoot drugs and have end stage kidney disease.

Chlamydia

Chlamydia is the most frequently reported bacterial STD in the United States. Symptoms are usually mild or silent, but serious complications can occur that cause irreversible damage on a woman's reproductive organs. It can be transmitted during vaginal, anal or oral sex. Any sexually active person can become infected. Chlamydia can be treated and cured with antibiotics.

Gonorrhea

Gonorrhea is caused by *Neisseria gonorrheae*, a bacterium growing in the fallopian tubes, reproductive tract, the cervix, and the urethra (in both males and females). Ejaculatoin does not have to occur to contract gonorrhea. It is spread through contact with the penis, vagina, mouth, or anus. Signs for men include painful or swollen testicles, burning while urinating and an abnormal discharge. Signs for women may include vaginal or bladder infection.

Genital HPV Infection
(human papillomavirus)

More than 30 strains of the human papillomavirus are sexually transmitted. Most people who become infected have no symptoms and the disease clears on its own. Some of the strains are "high-risk" types, and may eventually cause cancer of the cervix, vulva, vagina, anus or penis. Others are "low-risk" types and cause mild Pap test abnormalities or genital warts. There is no "cure" for the HPV infection, although many strains will clear on their own.

• 63 percent of STD cases occur among people less than 25

• About two-thirds of young females believe doctors routinely screen teens for chlamydia

• Direct medical costs associated with STDs in the United States are estimated at $13 billion annually

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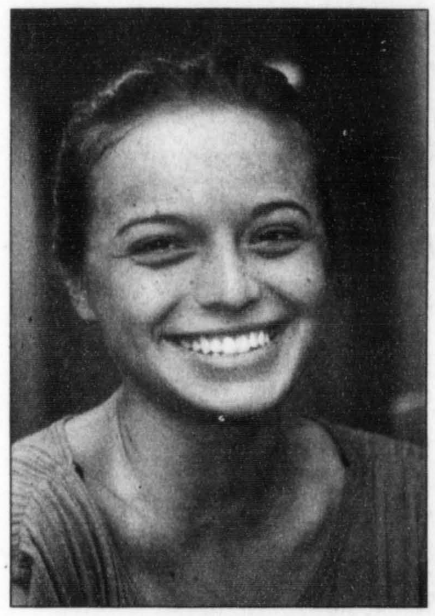

Mansfield's future is in the hands of a great president

This past Friday Mansfield University held the Inauguration of it's 26th President, Dr. Maravene Loeschke.

The ceremony not only honored President Loeschke, but Mansfield University and everyone that is a part of the university. President Loeschke made sure to include community members, faculty and students and truly focused on the university in a celebration that most people would have made about themselves.

Her inaugurational address was meant to motivate and inspire the people in the audience and to believe in Mansfield University and all it has to offer, specifically the students. There were even students in the audience to benefit from the speech. I was surprised (pleasantly) at the number of students that attended the ceremony, typically no one cares about that kind of formal event.

That is why I really think President Loeschke is going to be good for this university. She already has the respect and support of the student body and has already made some great changes to better Mansfield. Sure she had to make some decisions that people haven't agreed with, but in the long run those decisions are going to make this university a better place for students and faculty.

Talking with faculty and staff members President Loeschke's inauguration seems to have been the most elegant yet simplest and least expensive inauguration this university has seen in a number of years.

I completely agree, anyone who didn't attend the ceremony definitely missed out on a beautiful and very important historic event here at Mansfield. I think that is what was so great and interesting about the inauguration, and why I attended. I was curious to see what it was all about and it's pretty incredible to know that you were a part of something so important to Mansfield. Which is another reason that I think President Loeschke will be so successful. She really makes you feel as though your a part of something, a part of this university. Not just some student that is going here to get your degree and move on.

In my year that I have left here at Mansfield I'm going to be interested to see what happens here and to see if President Loeschke will continue to be as good for Mansfield as she has been in the past seven months.

"Ten or 20 years from now someone will win the Nobel Prize, someone is going to cure AIDS, someone is going to bring peace to the Middle East, and someone is going to start a new business in Tioga County. There is no reason on earth that that someone should not be you."

-President Loeschke

What do you think about President Loeschke and the inauguration ceremony?

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Letter to the Editor:

New Leadership Minor at Mansfield

To the Editor,

I was pleased to see the prominent coverage of the new Minor in Leadership Studies in the recent Flashlight. I'm writing to first recognize and thank the group of faculty who contributed the vision, wisdom and hard work necessary to design and implement this new minor. The Planning Committee for the minor included the following professors: Jeffrey Bosworth, Mahmoud Gaballa, Rhonda Keller, Margaret Launius, Deborah Rotella, and K. Sue Young. Jim Harrington and Professors Adrianne McEvoy and Barbara Smith also provided valuable assistance in the program's design. I'm also grateful to the students in the Public Relations Society (PRSSA) who have been working hard to promote the new minor.

I also want to tell interested students that a good way to get started in the minor is to take LDR 3325, Introduction to Leadership Studies, which will be offered this coming Fall Semester. (This course has been renamed and is the same course as PSY/PSC 3325 which some students have previously taken. It does not need to be repeated to qualify for the new minor). Students with questions about the new minor can contact me directly.

Sincerely,

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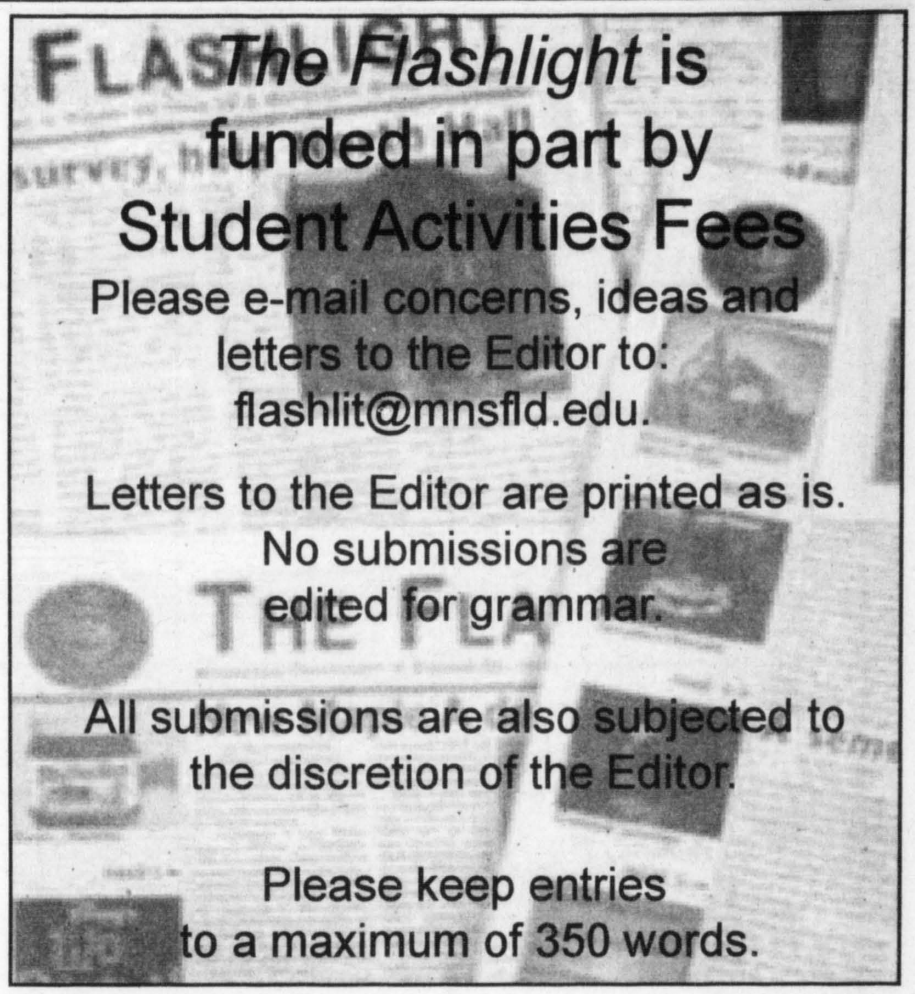

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10p-12a	The Show With No Name	Monday Mix	Guilty Pleasures	Double Shot Wednesdays	Ready, Set, Rock!		Super Cheese Late Nights
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How well do you know "Ferris Bueller's Day Off"?

Answer the questions below to find out

1. What type of snake are Ferris and Sloane eating in the hot tub?
A. Chocolate chip cookies
B. Oreo's
C. Chips
D. Fig Newtons

2. What movie is used in Ferris's description of his illness?
A. Temple of Doom
B. One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
C. Alien
D. Big

3. What job does Cameron tell Sloane he thinks Ferris will have on Venus?
A. Singer
B. President
C. Cook
D. Pizza delivery driver

4. What was Charlie Sheen's charater been arrested for when Jeannie met him?
A. Stealing
B. Prostitution
C. Drugs
D. Littering

5. How many times has Ferris been absent from school so far?
A. 8
B. 9
C. 5
D. 7

6. What did Ferris's parents give him instead of a car?
A. Computer
B. Bicycle
C. Stereo
D. Book

7. What theme song does Ferris dance to before going out for the day?
A. Happy Days
B. Mission Impossible
C. The Wonder Years
D. I Dream a Jeannie

8. What flag is hanging in Ferris's room?
A. Welsh
B. Scottish
C. British
D. Irish

9. What hockey team's jersey is Cameron wearing?
A. Philadelphia Flyers
B. Detriot Red Wings
C. New York Rangers
D. Chicago Black Hawks

10. What kind of dog do the Buellers own?
A. Pit Bull
B. Doberman
C. Rottweiler
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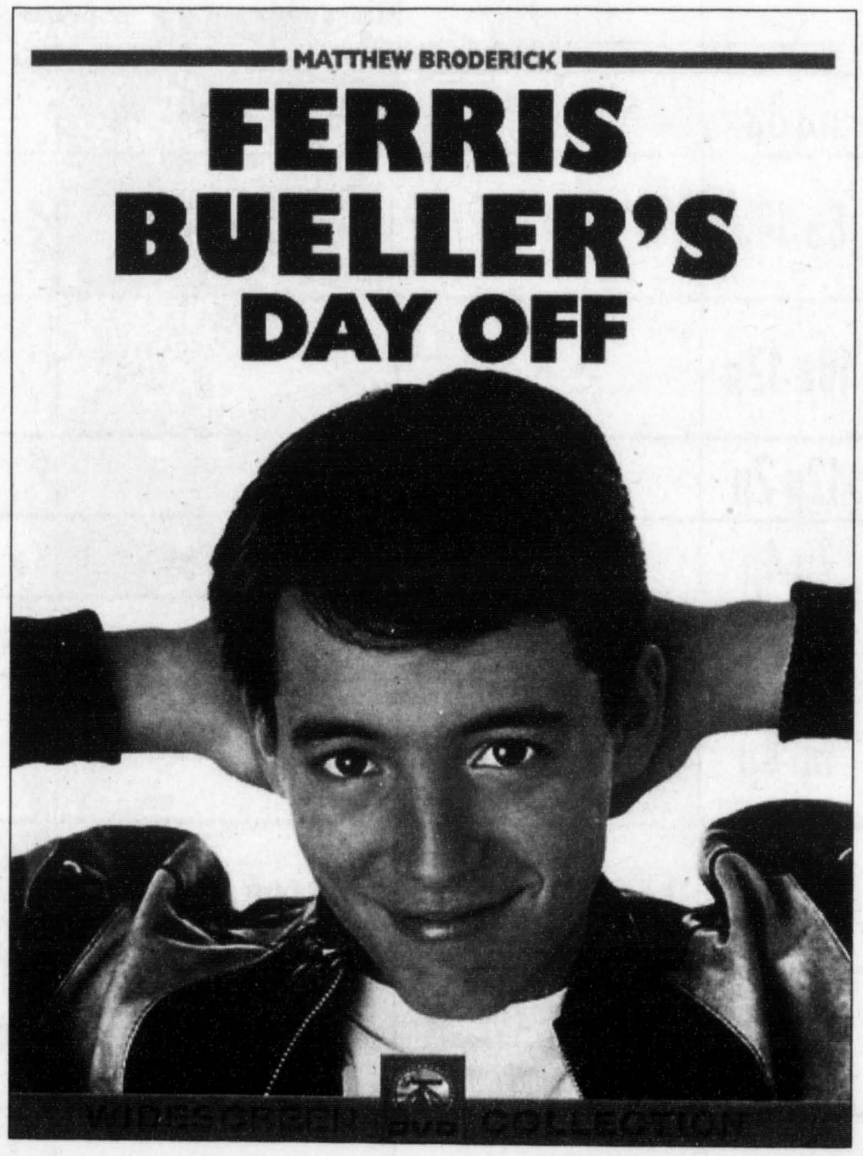

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Big Fred on Sports: Florida repeats and leaves a mark as one of the greatest achievements in college basketball history

By CARL FREDERICK
Flashlight Co-Sports Editor

The Florida Gators are the national champions for the second season in a row. From the players to their head coach Billy Donovan, they have done something very special.

What the Florida Gators have done is not only make history, they did it in a day and age where dynasties are far harder to come by, than they were back when Duke repeated. I am not comparing the early 90's Duke team to this Florida team, I just think with the way college basketball players are leaving for the NBA, it is very impressive watching the Gators.

Last year at this time, when Florida was winning their first national title, Sophomores Joakim Noah, Corey Brewer and Al Horford were all projected as first round draft picks. Now, if you could tell me that you thought all three of these individuals would return for another season, I would have refused to believe you. Think about it, they had just won a title, NBA scouts and free agents are breathing down their neck, no way would I have thought they would return. Even after they said they were going to after they won the whole thing I still didn't believe them, because throughout the years so many college basketball players have said one thing and done another. These guys were different, this squad was determined to repeat.

When it became apparent the entire starting squad from a year ago was coming back, then of course came the expectations. Florida was the pre-season number one team in the country and there were even people who expected this team to go undefeated.

Not only were the pre-season expectations putting pressure on this team, but the fact that the last team to repeat has not occurred in this decade. That team was the Duke Blue Devils who went on to produce such nba products Grant Hill, Christian Laettner and Bobby Hurley. Since then nobody has been able to achieve this mark.

Once the season began rolling Florida was cruising along until they hit a bit of a skid. From the 17th of February to the 27th the Gators had lost three out of four. Including losses on the road to arch rivals and unranked LSU and Tennessee. This started to bring up the questions does this squad have the fire and passion from a year ago.

Billy Donovan's club would get of this funk and go into the NCAA tournament on a four game winning streak. They would cruise through the SEC conference tournament and it was clear that Florida did have the most talent in all of division one, but the team with best talent does not always come out on top.

Case in point last season the University of Connecticut Huskies were regarded as the team with the most talent, but George Mason proved that it takes a team to win it all.

If you watched the Gators throughout the season you could see a lot of the same tendencies. Connecticut last year seemed to turn it on and off whenever they wanted to. The Huskies also had five quality starters that were all drafted in the draft.

Another example would be the 2005-06 USC Trojan football squad, you remember the team with two heisman trophy winners and several first round draft picks. That team too had an immense load of talent, but Vince Young and the Texas Longhorns proved once again that team's win national championships, not talent.

To start the tournament Florida would advance to the sweet sixteen but it would not come easily. The Gators were given a strong test by a Purdue Boilemaker team that barely snuck into the tournament. The critics continued to say that this was not the same fiery championship team of a year ago.

Both of the Florida's opponents in the next two rounds (Butler and Oregon) would give them fits, but would not have enough in the end. The Gators would advance to the final four for the third time since 2000, but the critics still questioned them.

Many people believed that the team Florida took down a year ago for the title, the UCLA Bruins, would shock the Gators this time around. Another opponent faces the challenge and another opponent is unsuccessful in trying to take down the national champs.

That would set the national championship game for a rematch from earlier in the season. The Ohio State Buckeyes, who were out for revenge not only for their early season loss, but for their loss in football as well. Florida shocked Ohio State's football team this past January to win the Orange Bowl and the college football championship.

Ohio State put a valiant effort, but even they could not succeed, Florida would be too much. That's right the team that was supposedly sleep walking throughout portions of the season had repeated as national champs.

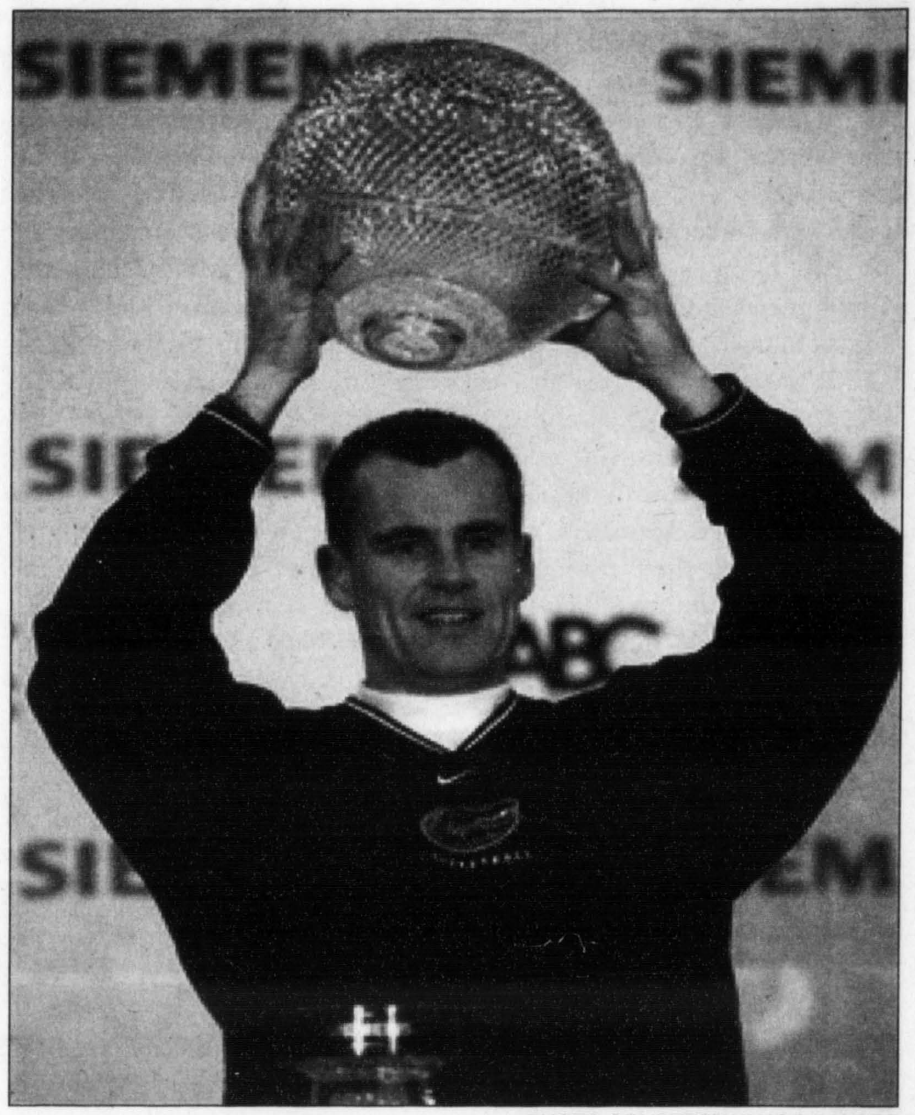
What does this show, (1) Billy Donovan is one the best coaches in college basketball, (2) everybody that decided to return for another season did not make a mistake (3) The Gators will go down as maybe the best squad in history.

So the question now is where do they go from here. Four out of the five starters are still underclassmen and could return for a possible three peat. This would be very shocking to see all four if any of them return, considering their draft stocks may not get much higher. Brewer, Horford and Noah all have very good chances at going in the first round, while fellow starters Torian Green and Lee Humphrey have good chances of playing at the next level as well.

There is also the speculation that Donovan may leave for the vacant Kentucky job, or even try his luck in the NBA.

Regardless of any of this, what the Florida Gators have done is something that will go down in history. When we think of great teams such as Duke, Indiana, Georgetown, we now have to put Florida among the elites. What they have done is something that may not be done for a very long time.

Then again they could have easily have left after last season's success. Whose to say what they are going to do, that is clearly up to them. I think it would be safe to say if they did come back that would be favored for a three peat.



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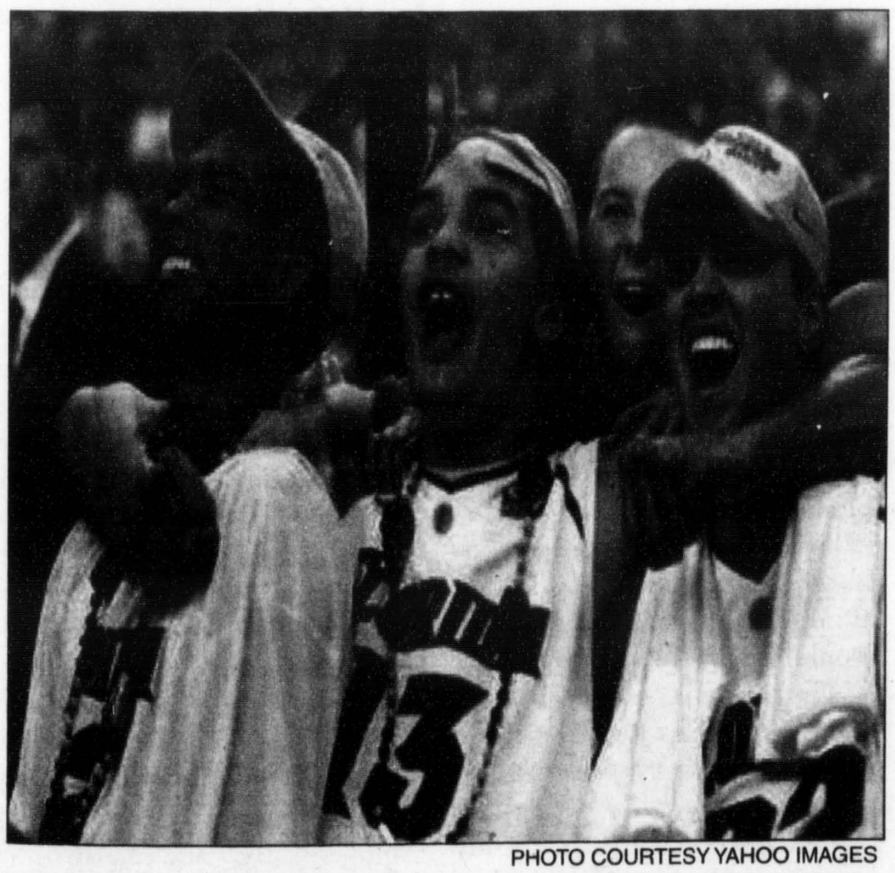
Florida head coach Billy Donovan guided the Gators to back to back national titles. This is the first repeat champion college basketball has had since the Duke Blue Devils achieved it back in the 1991 and 1992 seasons. Donovan has a lot of questions to figure out in the next couple of weeks, the big one being does he want to continue his reign at Florida or does he take another job, such as the opening at Kentucky.



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Joakim Noah, Lee Humphrey, Torian Green and company had plenty to celebrate this past Monday night. Throughout the seasons they heard the critics say they didn't have the passion of a year ago. They took that as motivation on their way to win another national championship. The question is where do they go from here?

Softball splits home opener against Millersville

Lady Mountaineers open up conference play at the .500 mark

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University softball team opened up conference play this weekend and split a double header with Millersville.

The home opener for the Mountaineers got off to a great start as Mansfield beat Millersville 3-2. It was a pitchers dual early as both teams went scoreless through three innings. Millersville got on the board with a run in the top of the fourth, but Mansfield came right back with three runs in the bottom of the fourth. Mansfield took advantage of some defensive miscues by Millersville. Jessica Christ started off the inning by reaching on an error.

Christ was moved to second on a sacrifice bunt by Michelle by Jessica Christ. Poore advanced to third on the play on an error by the pitcher. Poore would score on a RBI single by Forsburg. Jen Stein was hit by a pitch to load the bases for Katie McConville. McConville came through again with an RBI single to score Christ.

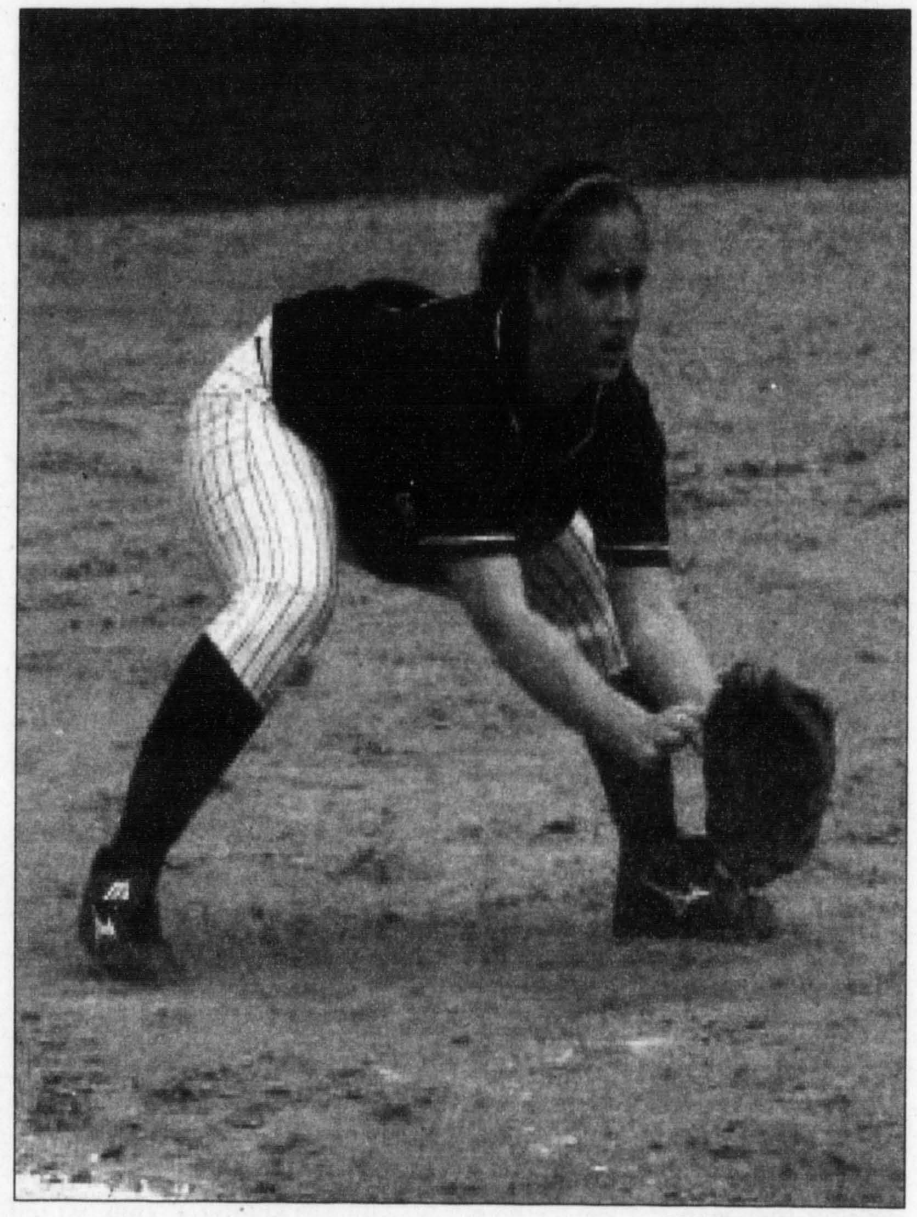
Millersville decided to change pitchers, but it did not matter as Whitney Brown knocked in Forsburg with a sacrifice fly for the third run of the inning. That would be all the scoring for the Mountaineers as they were held to one more hit the rest of the game, a double by Brown in the seventh inning.

Meanwhile, Millersville scored a run in the third and fifth inning to tie the score at three. The score remained tied until the seventh inning when Millersville scored two runs in the top half of the inning. Brown led off the inning with the double, but was stranded, giving Millersville the 5-3 win. Lindsay Knapp was the tough luck loser, going the distance allowing five runs on five hits, but only one of the runs was earned. "This was the best Lindsay has thrown all year; it was her first complete game of the season. We made some mistakes behind her and it cost us the game," Coach Gallagher said. The loss drops the Mounties to 4-13 overall and 1-1 in the conference.

The team travels to East Stroudsburg on April 3 with the first pitch set for 2 p.m. They return home on April 6 to play Shippensburg, and April 7 to play Bloomsburg. The times for those games are set to start for 2 and 1 p.m. respectivley, all games are doubleheaders.

Forsburg. Christ would score on a ball hit by Jen Stein that was mishandled by the leftfielder. The big blow would come next when Katie McConville delivered a two-run homer to give the Mountaineers a 3-1 lead. It was McConville's first homer of the season. "Katie's hard work is paying off. She works hard in practice and is staring to show confidence. She had a great day today," Coach Gallagher said. That was all the cushion Forsburg would need as she cruised until the seventh inning when Millersville got another run. Forsburg would not let the comeback advance any further as she struck out the last two batters looking, to secure the win for the Mounties. "This was a great win for us, being the home opener and we traditionally don't play well at home. This year we had a really tough non league schedule and that has really helped us prepare for the conference schedule," Gallagher said. Forsburg picked up the win going the distance, scattering eight hits while giving up just one earned run. "This was the best she has thrown all year. Every outing she has gotten better and better," Coach Gallagher said. Forsburg picked up her fourth win of the year.

Game two started out with more scoring, but both pitchers settled down and it turned into a pitchers dual. Millersville started the scoring with a run in the top of the first. Mansfield bounced right back with three runs of their own in the bottom of the first. Kristina Poore got things started with a walk and was sacrificed to second



SPORTS INFORMATION

Sophomore Katie McConville hit two run homer to help Mansfield notch their first win in conference play. McConville, who has started in 12 out of 13 games this season, is tied for the team lead in runs batted in with six. She will look to continue helping the team get things going as conference play continues.

We were both drunk and a little high. I tried to tell him to stop. I tried to push him away. I tried not to cry.

The room was spinning, then I was on the floor with him above me. My body felt numb. I couldn't move under his weight. I felt nauseous. I could hardly breathe with him on top of me. I felt scared and confused.

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Toby's Two Cents: NFL should take a hard stand on Titan's star cornerback Adam "Pacman" Jones

By TOBY MOTYKA
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

Many professional athletes have always seemed to have problems obeying the law. Maybe it's the millions of dollars thrown at them at such a young age. Maybe it's the air of invincibility that seems to surround the most prestigious of the pros. Either way, the long arm of the law has had little difficulty catching up to the players who choose to go against it.

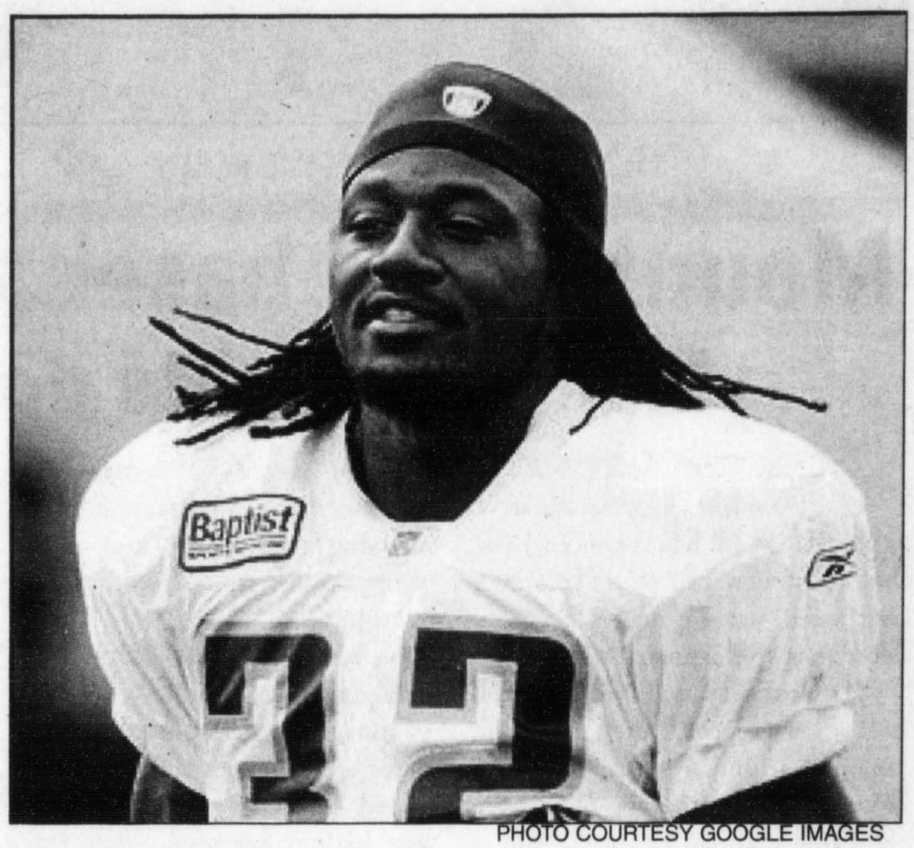
While most professional leagues have produced law abiding citizens recently, the NFL has had some serious issues. Guys like Chris Henry and Tank Johnson consistently find themselves in trouble. The Cincinnati Bengals have had almost ten players arrested for separate crimes in the past year alone. But there is one player who is in a league of his own when it comes to vandalism and disobedience.

Adam "Pacman" Jones has been arrested five times since he came into the NFL just two years ago. He is currently under investigation for "making it rain" at a strip club, leading to an outburst of violence on and off the performer's stage. By making it rain, I mean to say he threw roughly 80,000 dollars at a couple of exotic dancers, and the crowd proceeded to see nothing but dollar signs and dreams of big houses and fancy cars. That particular night is currently under investigation.

Actions such as these are what have Jones meeting with new NFL commissioner Roger Goodell to determine what to do with the troubled young enigmatic defensive back. While there is no set suspension for players that have been in trouble the way Jones has, Goodell could take the matter into his own hands and suspend Jones for a year. He could also go easy on him and give him another warning, leaving Pacman's future up to his coaches and the law (primarily the law).

What Goodell decides to do will, without a doubt, revolve around what he makes of Jones's character. The issue with Pacman has never been whether he is a good teammate or a loyal friend, or even a good person at heart. The issue has been who he is good friends with and who he refuses to abandon. Obviously, the guy does not deserve a free pass and he clearly has many demons that need to be dealt with. Anyone who throws 80 grand around at a strip club like toilet paper at Rocky Horror has to be slightly off. But it seems like Pacman is almost too loyal, refusing to leave behind his troubled friends and surround himself with a better crowd of people. He is a classic case of someone who has the opportunity to do great things, but refuses to do it.

Therefore, I feel Goodell or the Titans have to make a stand, as much for Jones as for the league itself. There has never (at least to my recollection) been a player who gets into trouble as consistently as him. Whether it's disputes with traffic officers or pole dancers, he always seems to be doing something he shouldn't be doing. The Titans recently signed Nick Harper from the Indianapolis Colts, who was not brought on board to be a nickel back. Whether Goodell suspends Pacman or not, Titans coach Jeff Fischer will probably do so anyways. I expect to see Adam "Pacman" Jones making it rain pennies from his front porch at home in College Park, Georgia after he is suspended for the season.



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Adam "Pacman" Jones was smiling a lot after his breakout 2006 season, but the only thing he'll be breaking out of any time soon may be a federal prison after being accused of numerous felonies.

I hope that this is not the end of the line for Jones. He is a one of a kind talent (and supposedly a one of a kind teammate) that, if he gets his act together, has a great career ahead of him along with a life full of opportunity. Hopefully the NFL takes a stand; not for the sake of punishing a bad kid, but for the sake of saving the career and maybe life of a promising young player.

Men's Track & Field competes at Jim Taylor Invitational

Gray wins shot put and discus, Sanford picks up victory in 1500

By DANELLE MILLER
and ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Copy Editor & Writer

The Men's track and field team traveled to Susquehanna University for the 23rd Annual Jim Taylor Invitational on March 31 with impressive results and high rankings in several events.

Freshman Mike Gray won first place in the shot put as well as the discus. Gray tossed the shot put for 48 feet 11.75 inches and threw the disc for 150 feet 11 inches. Upon reaching the Men's Triple Jump, Gray improved his placement from last meet, jumping 41 feet 7 inches, putting him in fourth place for that event.

Gray beat out Chris Greene by 3.50 inches. Greene's final in the Men's Triple Jump landed him in fifth with 40 feet 10.50 inches.

Greene also competed in the Men's Long Jump, finishing in fourth place with a jump of 20 feet 7 inches.

Junior Dave Sanford received first place in the Men's 1500 Meter Run with a time of 3:59.05. Sanford ran a smart race staying in the position of the track where he wanted to run until it came time for the final straight away and blew away his opponents.

Senior Ricky Jones ran a tough race and placed second with a time of 11.43 in the 100 Meter Dash, improving on the time he ran in his heat by .5 seconds. Jones finished tied for the best time in the heat that he ran with a time of 11.48. In the 5000 Meter Run, Mansfield University graduate Josh Wooten finished with a time of 15:20.41, and finished in third place.

In his first collegiate outdoor track meet, Brandon Smith finished in seventh place in the high jump with a jump of 5 feet 8 inches. Smith also threw the shot put for the first time ever and improved on each throw and finished with a best throw of 27 feet 7 inches.

Freshman Jameson Keeler had a nice meet placing in both the javelin and shot put. Keeler came in fourth place in the javelin with a throw of 175 feet, 9 inches. Keeler actually came in second place in the college division of the event. Keeler finished in sixth place in the shot put with a throw of 39 feet 8 inches.

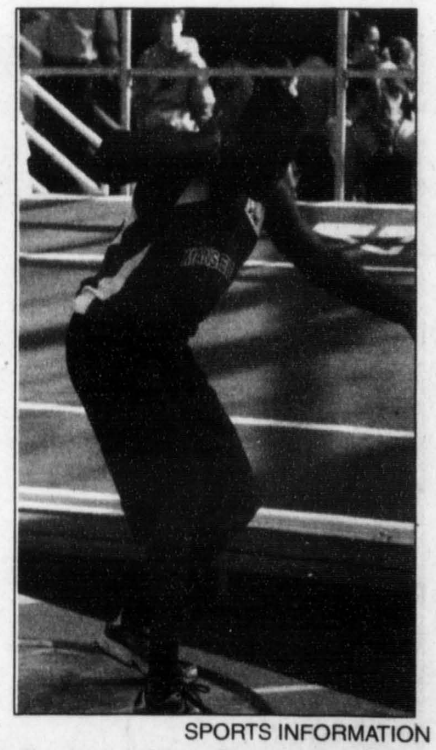
Staying in the throwing events, Sophomores Chris Pender and Chris Boswell both competed in their first collegiate track meet. Pender finished in 16th place with a throw of 142 feet 5 inches, while Boswell finished right behind him in 17th place with a throw of 140 feet 1 inch.

Sophomore Bryan Falcone finished in ninth place in the 400 meters with a time of 52.44. Freshman John Mark-Stoltz finished in eighth place in the 800 meter race with a time of 2:00.24 while sophomore Matt Zimmerman finished in 16th place with a time of 2:07.97.

Head coach Mike Rohl was pleased with the performance of his runners, "We worked them hard throughout this past weeks practice and they came out here on tired legs and performed very well," coach Rohl said.

Other teams that participated in the meet were division 1 Bucknell University, Bloomsburg, Lock Haven, the College of Misecordia, Messiah, Susquehanna, Elizabethtown, Houghton, Oswego State and Penn College.

Both the men's and women's track team will travel to Millersville University on Saturday to participate in the battle of the PSAC east meet.


SPORTS INFORMATION
Freshman Mike Gray had another big afternoon this past Saturday at Susquehanna. Gray notched first place throws in both the discus and the shot put.

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Mountaineer baseball gets back on winning track

Mansfield splits doubleheaders with West Chester

By TOBY MOTYKA
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The Mansfield Mountaineer baseball team won four out of six games last week, getting on track after a slow start to the season.

Mansfield came into the week with a 4-8 record after struggling against top-notch competition in Florida while other students were enjoying their spring break. After a week's worth of wet weather washed out any action the Mountaineers planned on seeing, the men improved their record to 8-10.

The week started with a double header against the Lock Haven Bald Eagles. The game was not originally on either team's schedule, but was added at the last second because of the poor weather.

The Mountaineers won both games of the double header by final scores of 5-3 and 15-5. Cody Stinger and Ryan Wyland starred for the black and red in game one, each finishing 2-4 with two RBIs. Eric Rosenberger picked up the win, throwing five scoreless innings while giving up just two hits and striking out four.

Mansfield jumped all over the Bald Eagles in game two, scoring 13 runs over the first five innings en route to the victory. Wyland continued his stellar season by adding four RBIs to his total, while Dave Meldrum and Nate Grove had three RBIs a piece. Wyland contributed as much on the mound as he did at the plate, throwing four innings of one hit ball, giving up just one earned run and picking up the win.

The Mountaineers brought their new found momentum home for their conference opener against West Chester. The Golden Rams posed a harder challenge for Mansfield than did the Bald Eagles. They came into the double header with an 11-4 record, along with the title of 19th ranked team in the country. West Chester flexed their muscles in game one and looked superior to the Mountaineers, winning the contest in a blowout by a final score of 17-0.

The Mountaineers exacted their revenge in game two of the doubleheader 7-4. With the game tied at four in the sixth, Cody Stinger belted a three run homerun to give Mansfield the lead. Wyland went the distance for his second win of the week.

The teams met once again later in the week to the same results, splitting another double header. After losing the first game 6-2, the Mountaineers pounded out a 9-4 victory. Shane Ryan picked up his first win of the season, going 5.2 innings for the victory.

The Mountaineers are in action on Tuesday, April 3 against I.U.P. and Wednesday, April 6 against Millersville at Shaute Field.

Statistical Leaders

Batting Average:	Scott Erickson - .370
Runs Batted In:	Dave Meldrum - 22
Home Runs:	Meldrum - 3
Hits:	Ryan Wyland -25
Earned Run Average:	Wyland - 3.15
Strikeouts:	Dan Yoder -16
Wins:	Wyland - 3
Saves:	Tyler Noel - 1

Coming up in Mountie Sports

April 1 Baseball: 1 p.m. vs Shippensburg	2	3 Baseball: 1 p.m. vs I.U.P.	4 Softball: 2 p.m. @ East Stroudsburg	5	6 Baseball: 1 p.m. vs Millersville Softball: 2 p.m. vs Bloomsburg	7 Baseball: 1 p.m. @ West Chester Softball: 1 p.m. vs Shippensburg Track & Field @ Mill.
8	9	10 Baseball: 1 p.m. @ IUP Softball: 2 p.m. vs West Chester	11	12	13 Baseball: 1 p.m. @ Bloomsburg Softball: 2:30 @ Kutztown Track @ Bucknell	14 Baseball: 1 p.m. vs Bloomsburg Softball: 1 p.m. @ Millersville Track @ Bucknell

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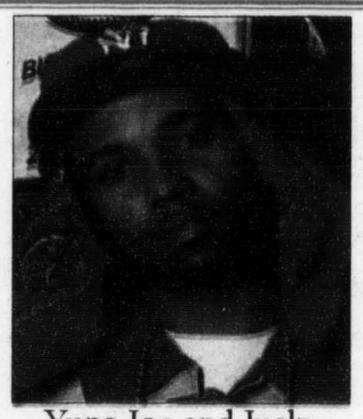

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Boxing goes to nationals

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Today's Weather

Cloudy

High- 48°F

Overnight Low- 35°F

Information taken from weather.com

McKenna resigns as vice president of advancement for Mansfield University

By REBECCA HAZEN

Flashlight Writer

Maureen McKenna, Mansfield University's Vice President for University Advancement, will be resigning from her position at the end of this year.

University Advancement serves the University through public relations, publications, printing, alumni affairs, grants development and fundraising.

McKenna is also the executive director of the Mansfield University Foundation. The Foundation exists to support present and future students and programs at Mansfield University. It receives private gifts from individuals and businesses who wish to enhance the quality of the university.

As Vice President and Executive Director, she had many duties including working with the board to raise private funds and requesting committees to manage investments. Several departments had to report to her, including alumni affairs, and grants. McKenna leaves the university with two and-a-half years of working experience.

PHOTO FROM MANSFIELD.EDU

Mckenna is leaving after over two years of working at Mansfield.

She was not looking into the position at the time, but she was referred by someone else. She decided to take the job because she was impressed by the foundation, and with the challenge that existed.

"I could see where I could make a difference here," McKenna said.

After leaving the university, McKenna says that she is considering several different options for herself.

"I will work with President Loeschke's transition team to ensure continued success in these efforts and the bright future that President Loeschke's leadership will ensure. Mansfield University has a long and proud tradition and it has been a pleasure to help to secure Mansfield University's upcoming 150 years," said McKenna according to her prepared statement, which was sent out to faculty.

During her time here she accomplished, many things and made many memories.

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Annual MISO Festival held in North Manser

By DANELLE MILLER

Flashlight Copy Editor

The Mansfield International Student Organization (MISO) held its annual festival on April 14 in North Manser Dining Hall.

Close to 200 people were in attendance to feast on a buffet of cultural dishes, listen to Irish musical performances and watch a Celtic dance group as well as other forms of entertainment. The theme of the festival was Connecting Oceans: Cultures and People. The colors blue and green were chosen as the color for the theme.

The festival began with introductions from hosts Brian Cunningham and Elizabeth Kenny. Cunningham attended Mansfield University last year as an exchange student from Scotland.

Tatiana Sokolova, MISO President and a Russian exchange student, gave the opening address to begin the festival. A music performance from Dr. Timothy Madigan, Joris Decolvenaer, Laura Orshaw and Mychal West followed the speech. The group played traditional Irish jigs and reels.

We came up with the list of tunes based on what we know in common and felt were easy enough for non-Irish traditional music players to learn quickly (Joris and Mychal). Sahr Thomas was supposed to join us by providing percussion on djembe but he burned his hands the week before so could not play," Madigan said.

Following the musical performance was a Celtic dance group out of Horseheads, New York called The Ring of Chiarraighe.

While guests filled their plates, Vice-President of MISO and Japanese exchange student Hiroki Fukuyama played a slide show for the audience. The slide show was filled with pictures of MISO members and students preparing the food for the festival.

Dorothee Elsner is Parliamentarian for MISO as well as the director of the food committee and a German exchange student.

"It took quite awhile because we had to collect recipes from the MISO members. It took about four weeks to put everything together. We had to arrange the recipes onto a menu and then go shopping for the food. The food committee was sent to talk to people about how much the measurements were and to figure out how to make them even. Each country has different measurements," Elsner said.

A fashion show was a part of the night's events. Different attire from countries such as Russia and African nations were displayed during the show.

"We try to have a fashion show each year to show the different styles of dress," Sokolova said. "We always have two guest speakers, one professor and one student."

The student speaker was Christian Spangenberg and the professor was Dr. Azizur Mollar. Mollar is the advisor to the Anthropology Club, which works closely with MISO. "It was a pleasure. I got to share my feelings and perspectives," Mollar said.

An African Dance Group, lead by Ellen Ganbrah, who is originally from Ghana, performed traditional African dances. The Russian Pan Cake Play was later performed by the members of MISO. The night finished with a closing address and song from the MISO advisor Ms. Annie Cooper. She called the MISO members to the stage to sing the chosen theme song for this years festival, "We Are the World."

Weekly Weather

TODAY
Cloudy
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FRIDAY
Mostly Sunny
High:54 Low:35

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Partly Cloudy
High: 60 Low:37

SUNDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 61 Low: 43

MONDAY
Showers
High: 64 Low: 48

TUESDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 60 Low: 44

WEDNESDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 60 Low:44

Information taken from www.weather.com

SGA Update

By FEMI OGUNDELE
Flashlight Writer

This week at Student Government, the senate was offered a proposal by Meg Olney to approve the recognition of an organization titled Sister to Sister. This organization is geared to address women's issues on campus and throughout the world.

Student Government also announced the finalization of the Casino Night budget. Casino Night will be held from 7-10 p.m. on Wednesday, May 2 at Jazzmans Café. Food and refreshments as well as an assortment of prizes for students to win.

SGA began reviewing constitutional revisions this week. The senate approved Femi Ogundele's implementation of "The Big Ten" into the constitution. "The Big Ten" are mandatory seats on SGA senate that will be filled by a representative of the following organizations: BSU, ARHC, MAC, SAAC, MISO, Kelchner Fitness Center representative, Greek Life, commuter student representative, MU Sayre Campus representative and WNTE. As of next semester these organizations must have a representative from their organizations participate in the Student Government Senate.

SGA also voted upon many other revisions to their constitution. A copy of the revised constitution is available for students to look at in the Student Government office, located at 321 Alumni Hall.

Senate finished the meeting by having an open discussion regarding the issues facing elections. As it stands right now, the election for vice president is being extended until this Friday at midnight. Students are able to vote via my.mansfield.edu for their respective representatives.

Student Government will be approving the new constitution next week. To voice your opinions, comments, and concerns, Student Government welcomes all students, faculty, and staff to attend their meetings Mondays at 9:15 p.m. in the Alumni Student Center.

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

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•Seniors, help MU make this a better place for future classes. Give us your opinion in the 2007 Senior Survey. Win cool prizes like a $20 gift card from the campus bookstore. The survey will run until May 10th. All completed surveys will be entered into a drawing, where up to fourteen students could win a special prize plus the first 20 students will receive a free gift, just for returning the survey. So get out there and take the survey!

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Yung Joc & Juelz Santana perform at Mansfield

By FEMI OGUNDELE
Flashlight writer

The Mansfield Activities Council (MAC) is bringing in rap artists Juelz Santana and Yung Joc for the spring concert this Friday. The doors open for the public at Decker Gym at 7:00pm.

Yung Joc is a hip-hop artist with a southern twang coming from Atlanta, Georgia. Joc is a Grammy Award winner for his debut song, "It's Going Down." Yung Joc works in close coordinates with music mogul Sean "P Diddy" Combs as a member of the Bad Boy South record label.

Juelz Santana is a Dominican rapper hailing from the streets of Harlem, New York. Known for his involvement with fellow label mate Camron on hits such as "Oh Boy" and "Hey Ma," Santana is now working on his newest album titled "Born to lose, Built to win."

Students seem to be excited for the concert this semester. MAC student worker Nikki Terrell explained that ticket sales were going very well.

"There are many campus organizations helping out this year as well," MAC student worker Carlos Perez said, "Its good to see different organizations working on one project."

This is the first rap concert since the controversial visit of rap artist Lloyd Banks. Response to his arrival was met with a residence hall shut down and vast amounts of security. While the rapper posed no apparent threats, administration made students believe shutting down the campus was taking necessary precautions to ensure students' safety.

Since that concert, Mansfield Activities Council has brought in other acts such as alternative band O.A.R., as well as last semester's comedy show featuring Kevin Hart. For both of these events there was no real boost in security or local police enforcement.

In wake of the Lloyd Banks concert there was an open forum where students voiced their opinion on the University's response to shut down the campus. With no reports of violence in correlation to the event, many students felt that it was a reaction based on the genre of music instead of a legitimate threat to the people.

When asked if there were any additional concerns because of the rap genre, MAC advisor Clarence Crisp said, "The issues come from how locals receive black rap artists." Crisp said, "These guys are no different than anyone else, they are businessmen."

According to Sergant Delosa from the university police there is increased security for any concert of such magnitude. However he was unable to state specifics and whether there would be another campus 'lockdown,' as there was for Lloyd Banks.

While an argument can be made for the negative message that is promoted in their music, the question of if they are an actual danger to the student body still looms. As there is expected to be a good showing of police and security for this concert, the necessity of such a precaution is still questionable.

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When Yung Joc and Juelz Santana perform at Mansfield this Friday they will be counted among past acts such as such as Boyz II Men, Three Doors Down, Dave Chappelle and O.A.R.

Little Eagles of Siberia sing in concert at Mansfield

By ISAAC PRAGLE
Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University hosted a flock of Eagles on April 3 in Steadman Theatre when The Little Eagles of Siberia landed to give a concert.

The Krasnoyarks Children's Choir was founded in 1971 by a woman named Ludmilla Stebenjokva in the city of Krasnoyarks in Sibera. Stebenjokva is a recognized choral conductor throughout the East.

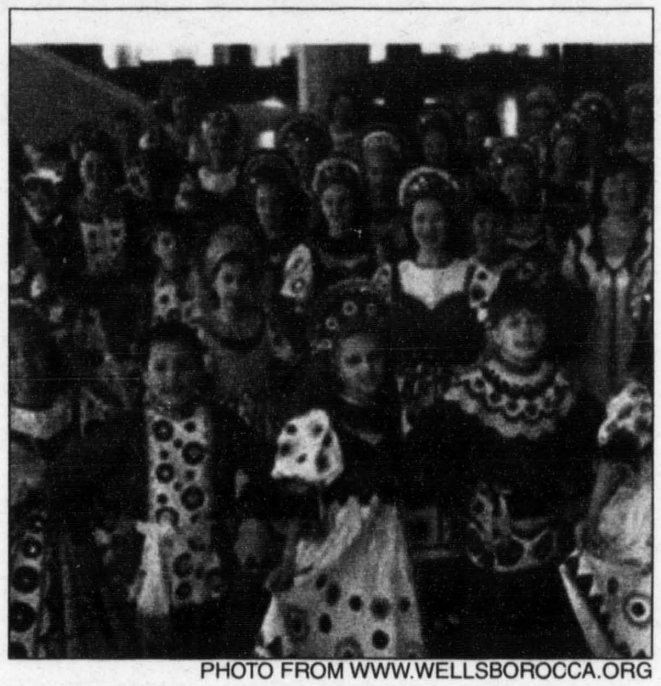
When it was decided that her group would be performing internationally, they became known as The Little Eagles of Siberia and took off. The choir has performed in over 15 countries and to audiences of over half a million.

Getting into The Little Eagles is a great honor for these children, who range in age of 11 to 19. Every year, 150 students are selected to go to an intense training school where they work on their singing, theory, stage movement and foreign languages. After they finish attending classes, the students then have to go through a rigorous audition process that can become very fierce. Once the process is all done 24 students are selected to continue on to be part of the choir.

At the Mansfield University performance, Larissa Stebenjkova served as the announcer and translator of the evening, introducing the songs and giving some background information about them. "I do this with great pride," Stebenjkova said. "This represents my country and my people."

Traditional Russian folk music, including "The Reindeer" and "Red Sarafan" to songs from the countries they have visited, like "Old MacDoodle Had a Band" from England and "Jingle Bells" from the United States.

The Choir was directed by Stebnikova and accompanied on piano by Vladimir Potapof on select songs. Most of the pieces performed were done a cappella. One of the more moving pieces of the evening was their rendition of "This Train is Bound for Glory" done in English.



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The Little Eagles, a children's choir composed of 11 to 19 year-olds, performs internationally.

Applause for the number stopped the show. Throughout the performance it was apparent that these children love what they are doing, and are the best of the best. The program mentions that they have been hailed "Russia's answer to the Vienna Boy's Choir."

The finale of the performance featured the choir in traditional Russian costumes of bright reds, blues and yellows. They sang a variety of different Russian folk songs. They also played a variety of folk instruments including a balalaika, which is a type of stringed instrument similar to a guitar. The bright colors were a stark contrast to the simple black and white clothing they wore during the first portion of the performance.

Dr. Adam Brennan elected to the American Bandmaster's Association

By LAURA HALL
Flashlight Writer

Dr. Adam Brennan was elected to the American Bandmaster's Association (ABA) during the 2007 ABA Convention in San Luis Obispo, CA in early March.

According to the ABA website, the association was created in 1928 to offer quality conductor education, more quality music written for bands, better bands, a sense of camaraderie among bandmasters, "universal band instrumentation, a higher standard of artistic excellence, and induce prominent composers of all countries to write for the band."

"We conceived the idea of creating an ABA for the purpose of furthering the interests of outstanding bandmasters and of interesting composers, arrangers and music publishers in Wind Band music. It would be the aim of ABA to unite in a concerted effort to influence the best composers to write for the Wind Band," the ABA website said.

Brennan is a full professor here at Mansfield University. He has served as the Director of Bands for the past 12 years. He is also the Music Department Chair and director of the Marching Band and The Concert Wind Ensemble. He coordinates the graduate programs in the Music Department and teaches courses in instrumental conducting.

Brennan has arranged approximately 72 pieces for the Marching Band. He has written about five pieces, including one each for Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and Tau Beta Sigma.

The ABA has a long process for consideration of election. "I was first nominated two years ago by a past [ABA] president. I was required to submit a vitae and recordings representing the past five years of work along with numerous programs to demonstrate that the wind ensemble I direct is of the highest quality. These recordings and programs were reviewed by a panel of ABA members who make a decision as to whether or not a candidate's work is worthy of membership," Brennan said.

Brennan found out about his election while guest conducting in Oswego, New York.

"I was honored, but quite stunned. I never really thought I would be accepted," Brennan said. "I feel this sense of obligation, now more than ever, to make a difference – to do something meaningful for the profession and the students that I serve."

Brennan says that the best thing about being part of the ABA is that it puts him in contact with great people that he both admires and respects. "I feel like I have these fantastic new resources and I can't wait to pick their brains about teaching and conducting great music."

Unique food drive to take place at AHSC as part of leadership project

By CARRIE GOODYEAR
Flashlight Copy Editor

A food drive will be taking place on from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 19 near Alumni Hall Student Center.

The food drive is part of Martha Harkleroad's gold level project for the Mountaineer Leadership Program. Harkleroad is a sophomore psychology major with a specialization in Human Resources. Harkleroad's project is called 'Skip a Meal for Tioga County'.

"This project is to make people aware for a little while what it is like to be hungry," Harkleroad said. "I also hope it will let the faculty and students know how a family struggles with on a day to day basis in providing food for their families."

This project is something that Harkleroad can relate to. "I remember going to school hungry because there was no cereal or milk for breakfast in the morning and not enough time to go to breakfast at school because the bus was late," Harkleroad said.

Harkleroad's family signed up for food stamps and WIC to help with the food expenses. However, sometimes at the end of the month the food and money ran out.

Food insecurity is still a problem today and it is also still present in Harkleroad's life. "My parents no longer get food stamps because they are making too much, but yet not enough to fill the refrigerator," Harkleroad said. "I walk into my parent's house and open the cupboards to find nothing in them."

All any of the students, faculty or staff need to do to participate in 'Skip a Meal for Tioga County' is drop by Harkleroad's table sign in and donate as much money as they would pay for a lunch.

All of the proceeds will benefit Mansfield Food Pantry. Everyone who donates money will also receive a hunger awareness ribbon.

"Food insecurity is a big problem and has been for ten years in my family," Harkleroad said.

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Some of those accomplishments include raising over $10 million for the schools campaign, "Our Special Mission: Our Future," being able to conduct successful alumni events, and execute President Loeschke's leadership theme in marketing and fundraising. Throughout this process the university has been able to increase scholarship support to students by more than 30 percent. She says that she has also come to love Mansfield University.

"Mansfield is small, but people work hard here. People wear many hats," said McKenna.

Giving advice to the next person that will be filling her position, McKenna believes that appreciating history is important, because Mansfield has tremendous history. "We need to maintain appearance here. There seems to be a connectedness here. Small equals advantage," said McKenna. She also says that the person chosen needs to be able to move forward from where we are now. "I think I leave the office strengthened and I hope that the next person can take over and be just as successful."

Student Life & Leadership Development Outstanding Service Awards Banquet Honors Students

The eighteenth annual Student Life & Leadership Development Outstanding Student Awards Banquet was held in Manser North Dining Room on Monday, April 16, 2007. This celebration honors students for their achievements and recognizes the time and effort put forth by the various advisors to the many student organizations on campus.

This year there were had 32 nominees for the outstanding student service awards. Certificates of merit were awarded to the following students.

Stacy Allesch
Sarah Best
Sarah Bianco
Tessa Bieber
LaQuicha Brown
Cynthia Carlineo
Owen Crumb
Eric Czekner
Keisha-Marie Diaspe
Samantha Enterline
Jessica Frank
Patrick Gillette
Leela Golgolab
Renee Kastner
Juan Antonio Martin Checa
Brittany McClain
Brooke Moses
Lori Nace
Audrey Nichols
Paul J. Rainey, III
Maria Schafer
Joe Seroski
Amanda Shade
Laura Shutts
Tiffani Smalser
Alicia Smith
Corey Tarreto
Sahr Thomas
Sharon Thomas
Ronald Wise, Jr.
Sarah Wright

MU also had 31 inductees into Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. The following students join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations:

Kyle Bellinger
Sarah Bianco
Daanielle Blackman
Lauren Boeckel
Christina Carter
Shelly Castillo
Christine Fellin
Nicole Freeman
Sara Funzi
Jordan Garman
Julie Harris
Whitney Honey
Chad Jackson
Jequaii Jones
Jessica Kent
Stephanie Klegarth
Julie Luckman-Wilcox
Cheyenne McKibbin
Megan Morgan
Karla Mullen
Ashley Munro
Tammy Petriwsky
Rachelle Pintande
Amanda Shade
Darcy Shutt
Tiffani Smalser
Ashley Swingle
Caitlin Tierney
Kathleen Vanderpool
Matthew Wood
Sarah Wright

Greek Life Awards were presented to the following students:
Highest GPA/Fraternity Active Members: Taylor Smith, Sigma Alpha Epsilon
Highest GPA/Sorority Active Members: Amanda Shade, Alpha Sigma Tau
Highest GPA/Fraternity New Members: Bryan Wenrich, Sigma Tau Gamma
Highest GPA/Sorority New Members: Rhonda Renninger, Alpha Sigma Tau

Fire rages at Warren L. Miller Elementary

PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR

80 firefighters from Mansfield, Wellsboro, Blossburg, Tioga and Lawrenceville responded to extinguish the fire.

By KARA NEWCOMER
Flashlight Editor-in-Chief

The fire started around midnight on Friday, April 13. The blaze began in the lower level of the school and spread upstairs through the elevator shaft, it is believed to have been started by a extension cord that was being used beyond it's capacity.

Classes have been cancelled for until April 23 for students that only returned to classes for one day after their spring break before the fire broke out.

Although the fire was contained there was extensive water damage from the very necessary, aggressive way that the firefighters had to stop the fire.

According to Mansfield University Provost, Michael Renner, the school district won't know if the building will be safe to reopen until today, April 19 once a fire restoration company finishes it's assessment.

The students of W.L. Miller Elementary have two options as to where to continue classes if the school is deemed unsafe for use. The Blossburg school district has offered the use of it's space as has the university.

"Although we cannot, and will not, undermine the academic experience for Mansfield University students, we have an opportunity to show genuine leadership as the community responds to this challenge," Renner said. "We've taken the opportunity and role of helping the school with whatever they may need," Renner said.

The school district has told Mansfield administration how grateful they are to the university for reaching out and allowing them to seek the best solution for their students, understanding that the university is here should they need assistance.

Mansfield University Sesquicentennial Time Capsule Project

The Mansfield University History Club is collecting donations for a time capsule to be dedicated this fall during the sesquicentennial celebration of the university.

The club is looking for donations of photos, flyers, T-shirts, writings, and other small items that show what life is like on campus in the year 2007.

All donations can be taken to room 213 Pinecrest Manor Mon.-Fri. between 8 a.m. and noon, as well as 1-4 pm.

If you have any questions please contact Lindsay Rossi for more information at rossila@mountiesmansfield.edu

Mansfield University Events Calendar

Thursday, April 19

Event: Secret Sneaker Sale, Kelchner Fitness Center, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Event: Casino and Game Night- Kelchner Fitness Center, 10 p.m.

Friday, April 20

Music: Gabriela Ortiz senior piano recital, Steadman Theater, 8 p.m.

Event: Young Joc and Juelz Santana concert in Decker Gymnasium, 8 p.m.

Saturday, April 21

Music: Marissa Terramani and Andy Dutko, Soph/Sr voice Recital, Steadman Theater, 4 p.m.

Music: Sarah Best, Senior Voice Recital, Steadman Theater, 6 p.m.

Sunday, April 22

Music: Orchestra concert, Steadman Theater, 3 p.m.

Music: Matt Petrozello and Rebecca Knox, Sr/Jr Voice Recital, Steadman Theater, 7 p.m.

Monday, April 23

Event: Academic Honors Reception, 4:30 p.m., North Manser

Tuesday, April 24

Event: Literacy Fair- 7- 8:30 p.m., Retan Center

Music: Jeffrey Regina, senior guitar recital, Steadman Theater, 8 p.m.

Lone gunman murders 32 at Virginia Tech, kills self; Mansfield provost reacts

By ANDREW OSTROSKI
Flashlight News Co-Editor

Terror gripped the campus of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg, Virginia on Monday. A lone gunman murdered two people in a dormitory building at around 7 a.m., eluded police for two hours, and proceeded to massacre 30 other students in a classroom building before turning the gun on himself.

Cho Seung-Hui, a 23-year-old senior English major, and a native of South Korea, was identified as the shooter.

According to a professor at Virginia Tech, Cho was a depressed individual who was encouraged multiple times to seek counseling. His writing in a playwright class was also described by students as "morbid and grotesque."

Cho's body was found in the classroom where most of the killing took place. He was found in possession of a note threatening bombing of the university's engineering buildings. Several bomb threats were called in to Virginia Tech last week.

Virginia Tech police officials and university administrators came under fire early in the investigation regarding the lack of information which was passed down to the student body after the first shooting. Thousands of students went to classes unaware of the fact that there had been a murder on campus with a killer still on the loose.

Dr. Michael Renner, the Provost at Mansfield University, confirmed that the university does have an early warning system, although he could not directly comment on what it is.

"The university has an emergency response plan in place," Renner said. "It includes a component of communication for informing the campus."

Legislation already in existence requires that students be informed of certain offenses on campus. The Clery Act, established in 1990 after the murder of Lehigh University student Jeanne Ann Clery in her dormitory in 1986, states that students must be informed of crimes in the main categories of murder, forced and non-forced sexual offenses, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, and arson. The act also states that information must be passed on to students in a timely manner, but it does not state a time limit on that information. Critics of the investigation at Virginia Tech are questioning whether or not the Clery Act was appropriately followed.

According to Renner, Mansfield University President Maravene Loeschke was apprised of the situation in Blacksburg, and had met with her staff.

"The President met with her senior advisors this morning to check with them to essentially make sure that everyone knew how we would respond if something were to occur," said Renner. "We review the plan every year, and there is a copy easily accessible to every member of the cabinet."

The President's advisors include the university's vice presidents, interim Dean of Faculty Dr. Peter Keller, Renner, and Dia Carleton, Director of Human Resources.

While saying that he believes Mansfield University is well prepared for a violent event, he acknowledges that there is always room for improvement of procedures.

"Could we do a more thorough job of planning? Of course," Renner said. "(This incident) is obviously going to cause us to think very hard about whether we've thought of every thing we could think of and what we would do. What happened at Virginia Tech has caused us to ask a bunch of questions to make sure that what we have planned is adequate. I don't mean in any way to imply that it's not; We just want to think very carefully and make sure that the plan we have is the best possible plan we can have."

Renner said that he believed the likelihood of this type of incident happening at Mansfield was very small. He gave his own thoughts on how Mansfield could make sure that an event of this nature never occurs there.

"Being a smaller place where there's a stronger sense of community people are inherently more connected to the others around them," Renner said. "One person can run amok, and there is no institutional, structural or administrative thing we could do to prevent that. The way that you prevent it as best you can is for human beings on campus to care about each other, and for people to be looking out for each other."

Erica Hudock contributed to this article.

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Mansfield's own Jersey Bound Trunk Crew in MTVU competition top 15

By MIKE LENGEL
Flashlight Writer

"No, man, I wouldn't die for nothing, I was bluffing! Listen, first you gotta learn to live for something!"

The lyrics from "The New Edition," the first track from Jersey Bound Trunk Crew's (JBTC) newest album, "Get Down Dirty Disco," aim at you as if they had a sniper beam pointed directly at your right brain. They stand as the personification of the title of the song as well, providing themselves and Mansfield University a kind of publicity never before experienced.

From the previous article covering JBTC's recognition as MTV U's Best Music On Campus, the band has since snuggled into the comfortable arms of the top 15 bands left in the competition.

I leapt at another chance to talk with Ryan, ahem, I mean, Emcee Hype and follow up a bit on what's been happening. While he says he and the band are excited, "we haven't really talked about it a whole lot, we're just kind of going about our business." But don't mistake that for a lack of energy. No, no, energy is the one thing they have plenty of. If you happened to catch their performance at The Hut on April 14, you'd see why.

It's interesting enough to see the gadgets set up on the stage spewing clicks and pops that do a complete Optimus Prime and transform from noise to beats that fancy Run DMC, but then you get to see the sweaty, hyper performance of Hype, Gumshu and PartyPicasso, where the only way your head doesn't bounce is if you've been decapitated.

The energy of the performance was shocking to me, actually, as the heart of this conversation took place in the quiet, artsy atmosphere of Night and Day Coffee Café. Picture me, the lanky, shaggy-haired, sandal wearing tall kid, and Hype, the tattooed, pierced, tight shirted, rapping punk rocker discussing the politics of music and sipping on our lattes. Sure, we discussed the latest news on the band in the top 15 and the comings of the group should things work out or not with the record label. But after a joke made about the music being played from the radio in the coffeeshop, the true meaning of the lyrics above came about.

Music is about honesty - if you can't be honest with your music, then it can't be truly felt. Thus, to "live for something" before you "die for nothing" reigns true to the musicians code.

In discussing the possibility of Epic Records changing the band's style, Hype said, "You're almost better off not winning [the competition]," and related the situation to American Idol. He said, "I don't think we'd ever sell out, there'd have to be some major negotiations, you know? We don't want to be the next Vanilla Ice or something. We don't want to get screwed."

As far as competition, Hype says the only they're really worried about is "this girl, a singer/songwriter from New Jersey – and she's hot, so that'll be a big factor." But staying on the "glass is half full" side, he says that if the competition shouldn't work out, they'd "still have a lot of great stuff to add to our press kit, and maybe some of those smaller labels we were looking at before this will notice us."

We talked about the late Elliott Smith and Jeff Buckley and their impact on the underground world of music and perhaps their deaths being signs of the death of the underground. Too often now are bands digging holes to the top only to be spoiled by the daylight of the major record label (case and point, Fall Out Boy).

But being careful not to contradict, JBTC still remains aware that the bigger the label, the bigger the audience. Record labels can get bigger and smaller at any point, but it's the heart of the music that always remains the biggest, most powerful pilot.

You can vote for Jersey Bound Trunk Crew at www.mtvu.com.

MTVU Top 15

And Then There was You
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Central Intelligence
Commissioner Castro
Foretold
I=mc2
Jersey Bound Trunk Crew
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Madelyn
Otto Vector
Rhythm Ruckus
Rudy and the Rhetoric
Sighlo
TGL
The Year After

Emerson Drive

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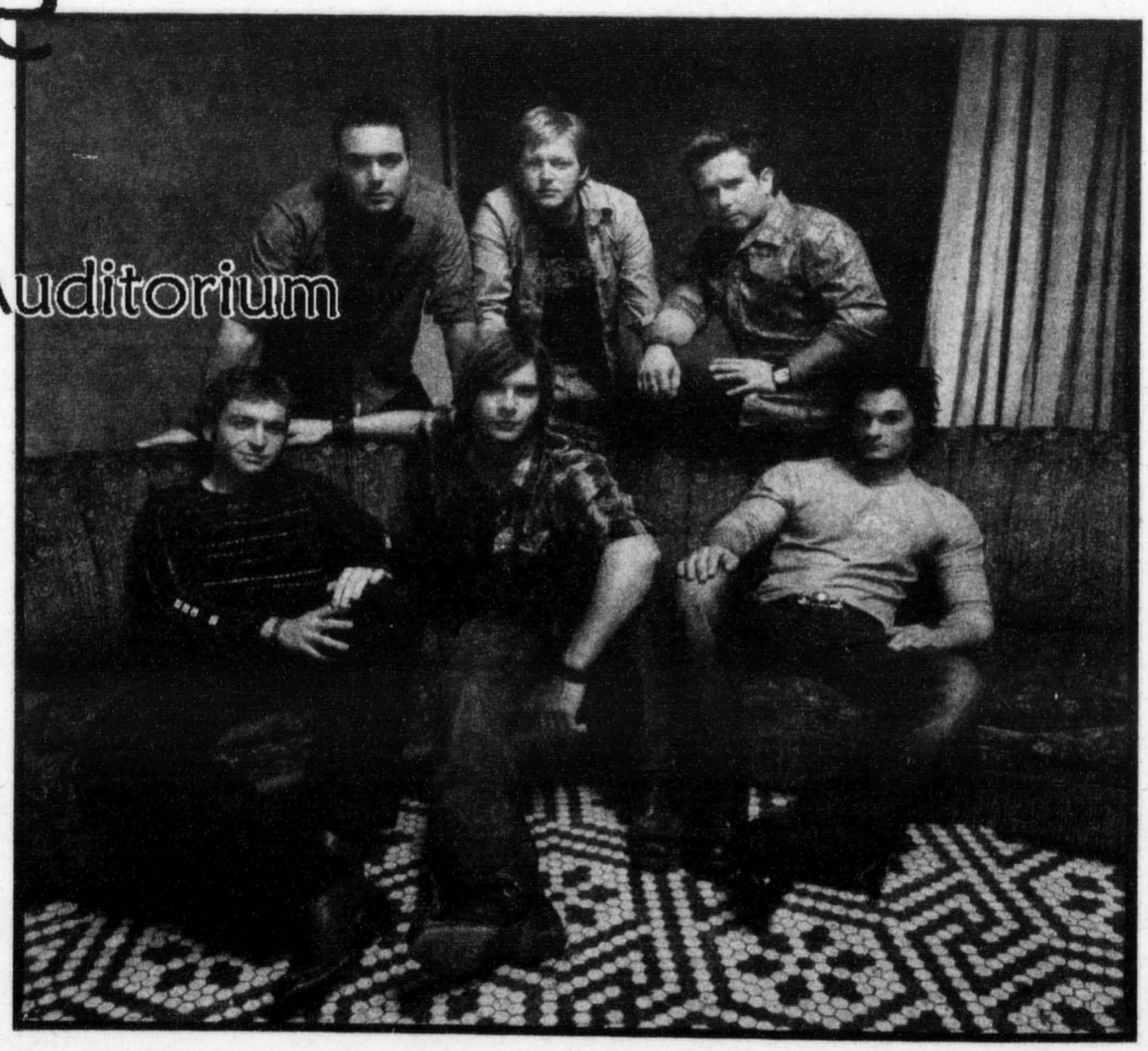

Last.fm is taking college campuses by storm with its "social music revolution"

The college rock revolution is exploding. Modest Mouse is No. 1 on Billboard albums charts this week, with Arcade Fire and the Shins also riding high – and Last.fm is becoming the key destination for college music fans fueling those bands' success.

London-based Last.fm is taking college campuses by storm with its "social music revolution." The music recommendation engine not only intelligently recommends new songs, artists and local concerts online, but it also connects members based on their musical tastes.

As new statistics reveal, the artists most listened-to amongst Last.fm's student user base are overwhelmingly the vanguards of the new college rock revolution – The Shins, Modest Mouse, Arcade Fire, the Decembrists. Artists and fans alike are moving beyond MySpace to Last.fm where this new scene is fomenting – Modest Mouse, for example, has almost 10 million more total plays on Last.fm than they do on MySpace.

Last.fm is also overcoming MySpace as the best online service for new college bands looking to follow in the footsteps of independent heroes such as Death Cab For Cutie. Audio streaming quality is higher, there are no song upload limits and – as the statistics show – there's a huge student user base on the site hungry for new college rock sounds. Student bands can use the site to connect to users they know will be into their music, while their fans can spread the word with embeddable music players for their personal blogs and websites.

"It's a great way for college students to connect on a global scale," said Martin Stiksel, co-founder of Last.fm. "Regardless of player or platform – and whether you listen to Chopin, Coltrane or Coldplay – we're a place for you to meet people with similar tastes and to learn about the newest artists based on your current favorites."

Top 10 Most listened-to bands among US college students

- Radiohead
- The Beatles
- The Shins
- The Arcade Fire
- Beck
- Death Cab for Cutie
- Modest Mouse
- Sufjan Stevens
- The Decemberists
- Of Montreal

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Birth control prices change for college students

College students have become accustomed to hearing about price hikes for tuition and books, but now the battle for their dollar has moved from the classroom into the bedroom.

Due to the recently passed Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, college health centers across the country were recently informed that they would no longer receive birth control discounts from drug manufacturers.

As students are typically among the lowest income earners, health centers aim to provide popular contraceptives, such as Tri-Cyclen Lo and Plan B, at low prices. Using manufacturers' discounts and sourcing low-cost suppliers were two ways that centers could accomplish this goal.

Unfortunately, the well has dried up and there are simply no more savings to pass on. The result: The next time a student needs to purchase contraceptive medications, they will be forced to pay more.

Dr. Jane Halpern, director of health services at the Dowell Health Center, said "...college health centers got whacked with this law... when prices suddenly increase like this, double or even more, it's upsetting to the patients (students)..."

High birth control prices are forcing students and women to consider their options. Instead of paying double or triple the usual amount, many are finding the savings they seek at popular websites such as MyCycle.ch. They are meeting the need by offering popular medications like Nuva Ring, Plan B, Alesse and Yasmin at a savings of 40 percent or more.

Making purchases online has the additional benefit of anonymity. Women in small communities may feel uncomfortable filling their prescription at a pharmacy where they are known by their pharmacist, where local sentiment discourages the use of contraceptives.

DVD Review: Christian Bale gives excellent performance in "Harsh Times"

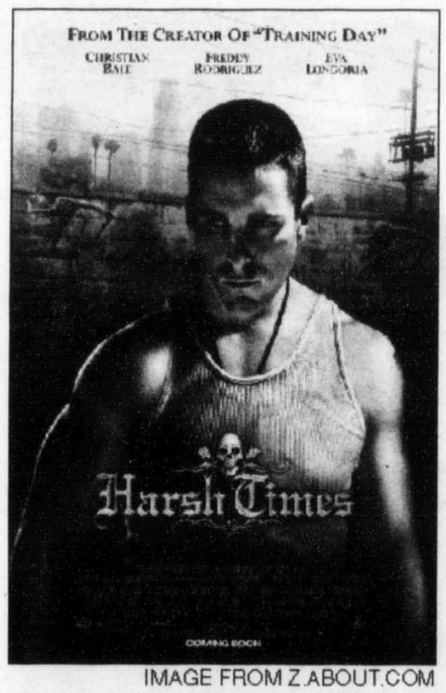
By JOE SEROSKI
Features Co-editor

Fans of "Training Day" will love its writer David Ayer's latest flick "Harsh Times."

"Harsh Times" stars Christian Bale and Freddy Rodriguez as pals from South Central Los Angeles. Bale's character, Jim Luther Davis is a former army ranger who is now looking for a job with the federal government. Rodriguez plays his best friend, Mike Alonzo (which could be a reference to Denzel's character in "Training Day" Alonzo) who is also looking for a job because his wife, Sylvia (Eva Longoria) is always on his case.

Instead of getting jobs Davis and Alonzo spend their days getting "messed up" at friends' houses and in the car while driving around South Central. Eventually you get a look at the effect being an army ranger had on Davis and see how deranged he has become after he has several incidents testing his cool. Alonzo plays the friend who is constantly watching his back and trying to keep him in line.

Bale and Rodriguez give great on screen performances in "Harsh Times. It's a little harder to believe Bale's character saying "dog," and "homie," after seeing him in "Batman Begins," Bale is still able to pull the performance off. Bale has many emotional breakouts during the film and pulls them off fantastically. Anyone who has seen "American Psycho" knows how well he can portray a psycho.



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"Entertainment Weekly" critic Lisa Schwarzbaum said that Bale's performance is "mesmerizing" in "Harsh Times."

During their escapades of getting "messed up," Davis and Alonzo introduce the viewer to many characters; a few of whom play important roles throughout the film. For example, early in the film the viewer gets introduced to Marta, Jim's girlfriend who lives in Mexico. Jim is looking for a job so he can satisfy the Immigration and Naturalization Service, who ask that he have a job before he can bring Marta into the United States and marry her.

Although this is Ayer's first film he directed, the movie gives off that "Training Day" feeling. Many of the scenes take place in a car, and the movie's cinematography will remind you of Denzel and Ethan Hawke's scenes in "Training Day."

"Harsh Times" is a thrilling film with plenty of surprises. There are plenty of spontaneous events that will make the viewer say "wow" and enough swearing and drug use to offend anybody. It is worth seeing multiple times, and some may find it is even better than "Training Day." Overall, Ayer has put out a solid film with his directorial debut.

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Mansfield students mark the date with a celebration of their own

Almost 4/20 Movie Night is sponsored by the Political Science Club and will be held on April 19. According to the Facebook event group, "there's nothing wrong with celebrating a little early." The movies "Tenacious D In The Pick of Destiny" and "How High" will be shown at The Hut from 7 to 11 p.m.

On April 20, Yung Joc and Juelz Santana will be performing at Decker Gymnasium from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tickets are $10 for MU students and $15 for everyone else. The concert is sponsored by Mansfield Activities Council.

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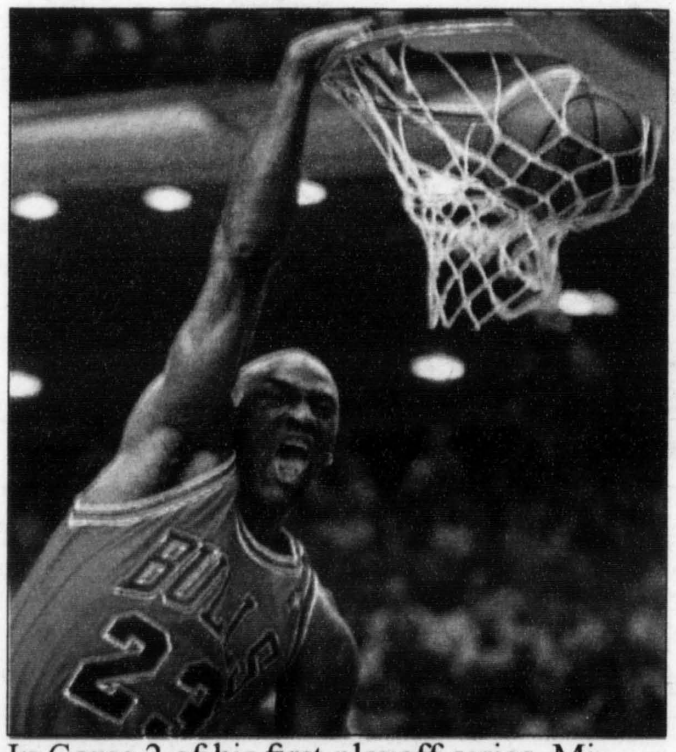

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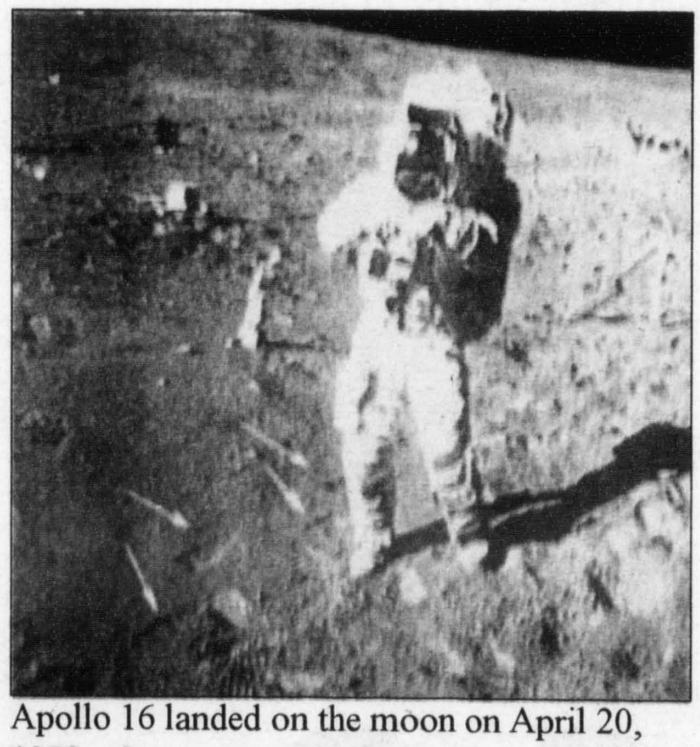

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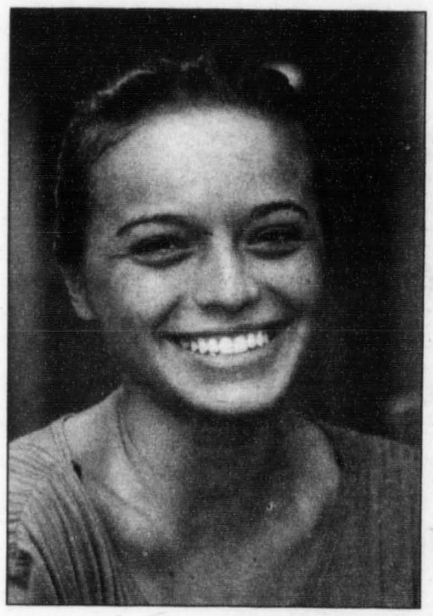

Tragedies at Virginia Tech shock the nation

The shooting that occurred Monday at Virginia Tech have shocked the nation. The events have dominated the national news and discussion, particularly on college campuses.

This is the largest mass shooting in U.S. history. Before Monday the largest mass shooting happened in 1991 when a man drove his truck into a cafeteria in Texas and shot 23 people and then killed himself.

The shooter, who has been identified as Cho Seung-hui, killed 33 people, including himself.

The story is developing as I'm writing this and the facts keep pouring in. But one thing is known for sure, there were two separate shootings and they occurred almost two hours apart. Many critics are asking why students weren't made aware of the fact that there was a killer loose on their campus. And I'm asking the same thing. I feel that so many lives could have been saved had students been notified. I don't know about anyone else, but if I found out that someone had been murdered on Mansfield's campus I wouldn't set a foot on campus until I heard that the killer was caught and the campus was safe again.

Unfortunately notifying the students is really all they could do. Once a shooting like that happens no matter what type of precautions are in place at your university there is no way to stop something like that from happening.

Since the incident some people have been talking about a bill that was denied in January. This bill would have given college students and employees the right to carry handguns while they were on campus. Some people believe that this bill would have saved the lives of some Virginia Tech students on Monday. Honestly, I think that is ridiculous. The thought of students and employees having handguns on a college campus is terrifying. Maybe it could have saved some students lives, however it most likely would have turned into a shoot out.

As a member of the media I'm completely caught up in the story with the rest of the nation, sure I get a little annoyed at the constant coverage of the same thing over and over again. But it's in my nature to be interested in the news and the latest updates in the story. Which is why with all of the other media coverage I was reluctant to write about the shootings in my editorial, but I couldn't help it. It's just too big of a story to ignore. For reporters this is the story of a lifetime, although by the way they cover the news these days, you would think Anna Nicole's death was the story of a lifetime. However this truly is the story of a lifetime.

One of my friends asked me today if I would be like some of those students who didn't even duck for cover, just took out their cell phones and started recording.

Well, I'm sorry to disappoint you but your editor is not one of those people. I value my life over the story of a lifetime. After everything was safe you bet I'd be there finding out everything I could, but not during. Definitely not during.

Which is another reason that I'm happy I go to a school like Mansfield. Sure, it's in the middle of no where, sometimes boring and very small. But that's what makes it so great.

Whether you believe it or not Mansfield's campus is a very close-knit community where I don't believe anything like this would ever happen -- at least I hope.

It is because Mansfield is so small that it is such a close community. Reports have just been released that a teacher went to the police and the university because she was concerned about some of his writings but she received no help.

I feel that at Mansfield a situation like that would never happen. If a teacher felt as though a student needed help, that student would get it. Whether it was the university that helped or that teacher themselves.

In the coming days I encourage everyone to watch the news and stay updated on the story, to me being informed is extremely important. Also, to appreciate Mansfield because I truly believe something like that would never happen in this community.

What do you think?

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Letter to the Editor:

It pays to become involved

Are you often thinking that there is not very much to do here? I sure know I used to think that. Did you know that you can create your own fun though? Being a part of an organization has taught me many things, but one thing it has taught me stands alone: you can create your own fun. So many organizations have so many different types of events, many of which cater to the student body and preach for student involvement. You can be a voice in planning these events. I was able to voice a lot of my ideas and even plan some fun events for anyone and everyone to attend just by being a part of an organization.

Did you also know that being an active member of an organization is very good resume material? You can be sure that I will be including all the experience I gained from being a member of the radio station on my resume. What ever your major is, there is an organization for you, and it is one of the best ways to gain knowledge in your prospective field of work aside from the classroom. Don't just take my word for it though, check out an organization for yourself; there is no harm in visiting.

This letter is to those students who are not involved. You have probably heard this numerous times, but get involved. When I was a freshman, I brushed off that comment whenever I heard it. But now, I leave understanding why it is said. There are so many organizations on this campus that can enrich your college experience. Don't let those experiences pass you by. I am sure that there is an organization here that fits with your interests. And believe me, these organizations want you. So don't let your time here pass by without doing something with it. Explore some organizations, become involved, and use them to your advantage. In the end you will be the one leaving with the knowledge, experience, and fun that you obtained from being a part of an organization. So don't waste any more time, you'll be surprised how fast it has gone by when it comes to an end.

Sincerely,
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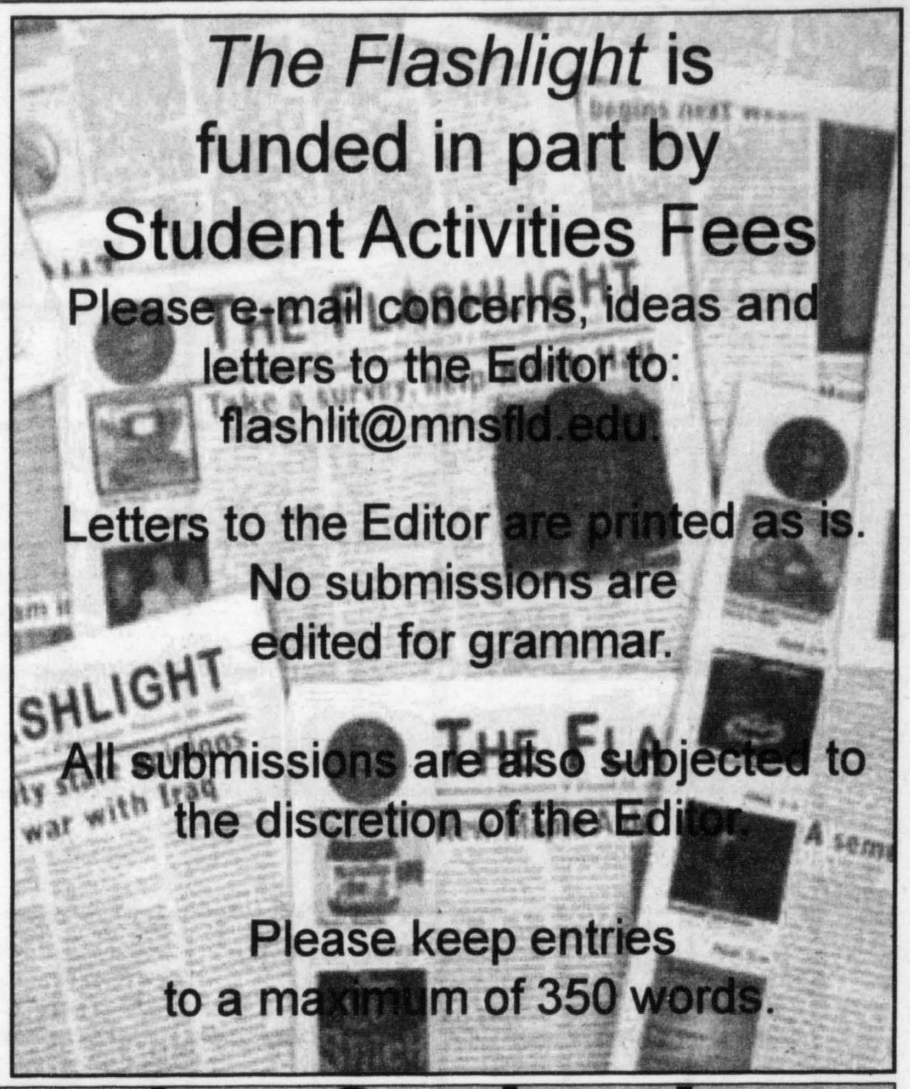

Letter to the Editor:

Environmental concerns

Earth Day is just around the corner. During the SGA elections candidates were very wasteful with our natural resources. A banner, a few flyers, and a Facebook Group would have been sufficient for their campaigns. I saw tons of flyers posted on walls and windows throughout the day and hundreds of small flyers placed on all of the tables in Manser.

Also, while I was trying to relax in my dorm room after a long day of classes, one was slipped into my room under my door. I feel it was very inappropriate for the candidates to create so many advertising materials. I hope that whoever wins the election is not as wasteful with the SGA resources as they were with the Earth's. I would strongly suggest that all campaign materials be properly disposed of as soon as possible. Our maintenance staffs work very hard to keep the campus a clean environment and it is not their responsibility to remove the flyers and propaganda, but it is the responsibility of the individuals and organizations that posted such advertisements.

I feel that there should be a limit on the amount of posters or locations that flyers can be posted for future elections, because candidates seem to take things to an extreme level and get out of hand with the amount of campaign materials they use. Mansfield has increased the amount of recycling done on campus, but everyone needs to do their part to conserve; especially those running in elections on campus for leadership positions.

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How well do you know "Borat"?
Answer the questions below to find out

1. What country is Borat from?
A. Uzbekistan
B. Kazakhstan
C. Pakistan
D. Afghanistan

2. What actress does Borat fall in love with?
A. Pamela Anderson
B. Hillary Swank
C. Jennifer Aniston
D. Jennifer Lopez

3. What is one of Borats hobbies?
A. Surfing
B. Baseball
C. Disco-Dancing
D. Pottery

4. What is the full title of the movie?
A. Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kakhstan
B. Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Pakistan
C. Borat: Cultural Learnings of America to Improve Conditions of Fabulous Kazakhstan
D. Borat: Cultural Learnings of America to Improve Conditions of Amazing Uzbekistan

5. How does Borat begin his reportings?
A. Hello
B. Jagshemash
C. Ahola
D. Chinqueah

6. How many children does Borat have?
A. Six
B. None
C. Three
D. Ten

7. What language does Borat's assistant speak in the movie?
A. Russian
B. Croatian
C. Romanian
D. Armenian

8. What type of swimsuit is Borat wearing on the beach?
A. A thong
B. Trunks
C. Speedo
D. None of the above

9. What does Borat refer to the hotel clerk as?
A. Vanilla face
B. Honky
C. Cracker
D. Loser

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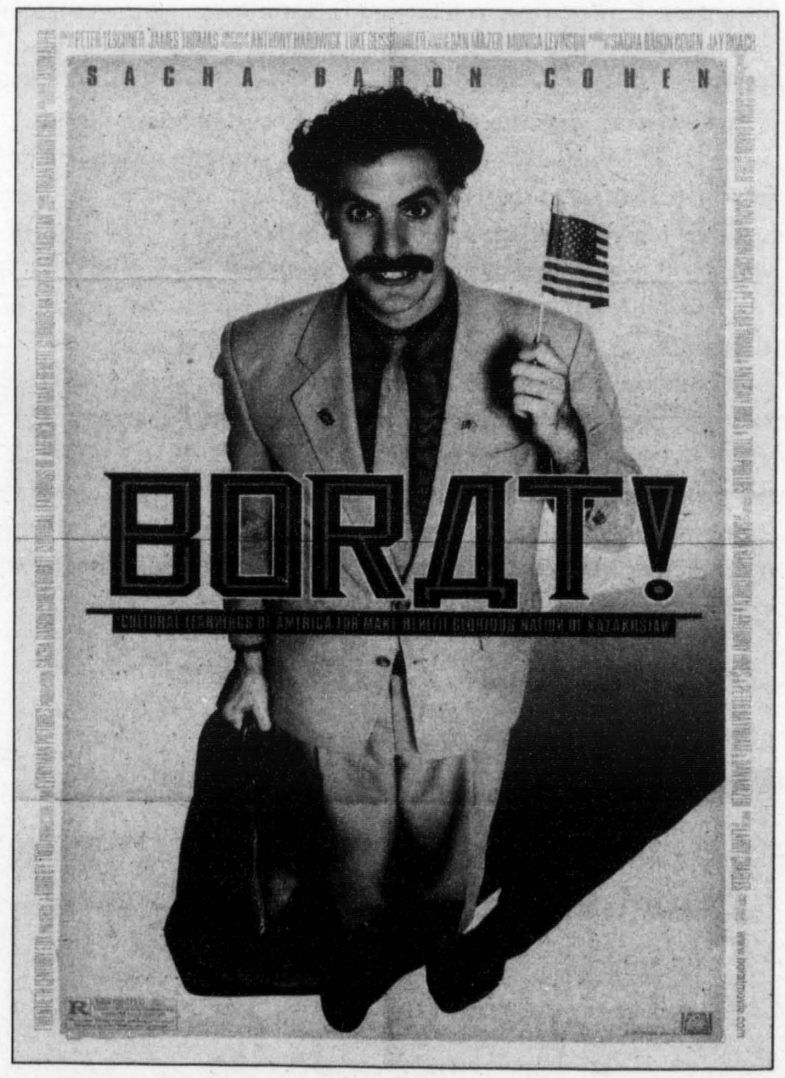

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On the sidelines with Shelly Forsburg: Softball team leader in wins, earned run average and innings pitched

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Copy Editor

Shelly Forsburg is the outstanding pitcher for the Lady Mountaineers Softball team. Forsburg continues to impress at Mansfield University as she did at Broome Community College. Forsburg was able to talk about why she transferred as well as why she chose Mansfield after being noted as an All-State selection.

Danelle Miller: What year are you and what is your major?
Shelly Forsburg: I am currently a junior and my major is elementary education, soon to be a double major with special education.

DM: Why did you choose the major you are in?
SF: I have always wanted to be a teacher, ever since Ms. Harvey. She had a strong impact on my high school years. She was one teacher that you knew cared and would support you. I want to be able to do that for students. I want to show them the way to a successful life and be there when no one else is.

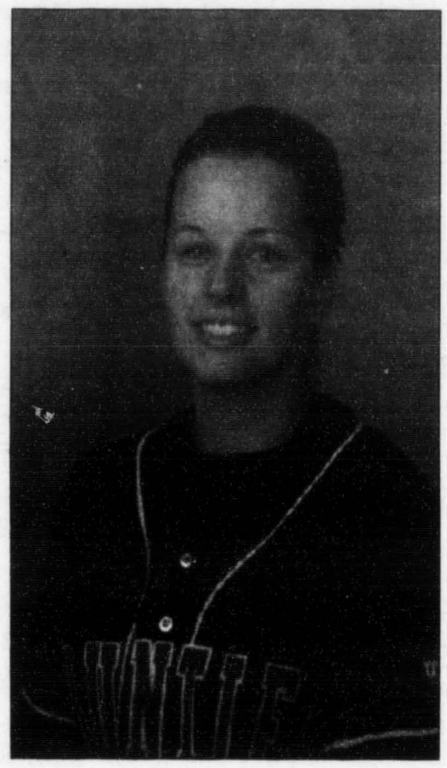
DM: Where is your hometown?
SF: I am from Vestal, New York.

DM: Why did you transfer?
SF: I wanted to get better certified in education so I can make more money.

DM: After having standout performances in which you gained All-American notoriety at Broome Community College, what made you decide to attend Mansfield University?
SF: I decided to come to Mansfield University because it is close to my hometown, which allows my parents and close friends to come to the games as well. It has a small campus. I like it when you get to know each other and make friends, unlike the big campus where it seemed I would never meet anyone. Our coach was also another reason. When I came up for the visit, she was friendly and down to earth. She also relates well to the team and you know she is there for you.

DM: Did you consider any other schools besides Mansfield to transfer out to?
SF: I thought about going to Bloomsburg and Saint Rose. I also debated about going to Iona, which is Division I and I also thought about going to Alfred State.

DM: When did you begin playing softball?
SF: I started playing softball when I was 6 years old and pitching when I was 9 years old.



SPORTS INFORMATION
Shelly Forsburg has been one of the lone bright spots on the mound this season for Mansfield. Her 3.77 ERA is second on the team while her three wins are first.

DM: What is your motivation during the season?
SF: My motivation is being the best that I can. I always step onto the field trying to improve myself.

DM: How do you prepare for a game?
SF: Before a game I listen to my Disturbed CD and focus in on what I am going to do. I run plays through my head to be ready for anything.

DM: How do you think the team will finish?
SF: Right now our team is taking it game by game. We are doing our best every time we go out there.

DM: What are some awards you have earned for softball?
SF: When I was at Broome Community College I received the NJCAA Region III Female Athlete of the year 2006, NJCAA Division III All-American two years in a row, Player of the year 2005-2006 for Mid-State Athletic Conference, Player of the year Region III Division III 2005-2006, and Division III Most Valuable Pitcher 2005.

DM: What have you learned from softball that you will take with you into the future?
SF: I have learned that hard work and determination are important qualities in succeeding. Also, if you want something, go for it. There is nothing stopping you, but yourself.

DM: Do you have a coach that has helped you to become a better player?
SF: I have had a few coaches who have helped me become better through my years. The two the stand out are my parents. They have put a lot of time into my career. We are always in the backyard pitching almost every day, and have been for years. Even taking me to fields and giving me ground balls. They have been there since Day 1 and still are.

DM: Do you have any professional softball players that you look up to?
SF: I honestly do not look up to any certain player, but I do have a lot of favorite players. I think they are all great players and each has certain qualities that they display extremely well. I hope to develop these through my years and play in the professional softball league.

DM: What is your favorite sport besides softball and why?
SF: I don't really have any other favorite sports. I just love working out and playing different sports for fun.

DM: Are you a part of any other athletic teams at Mansfield?
SF: I only play softball.

Mansfield students react to comments made by former national radio icon Don Imus on Rutgers women's bball

By DAN RYAN
Flashlight Writer

When Don Imus made his remark about the Rutgers Women's basketball team, it started nationwide discussion. The major news networks as well as many columnists spent plenty of time covering the story.

Imus' comments have turned into more than an offense to the Rutgers Women's basketball team, but to any person who feels they have stake in the issue.

The Reverend Al Sharpton has said that he believes what Imus said was an offense to the black community. The other side of the arguement has its supporters as well. Senator John McCain has said he accepts Imus' apology and believes it was sincere. Here at Mansfield University, Imus' comments have drawn criticism.

Katrina Brumfield, a junior track and field athlete at Mansfield, saw some problems with Imus' comments and feels that ignorance is still a problem. "I think the situation with Imus reminds us that ignorance is still out there," Brumfield said. "What he said was uncalled for. I don't think this situation was blown out of proportion. What he said was not right and should not be said by anyone, especially someone in the public eye."

Another problem that arises from the smoke of Imus' comments is the institutionalism of racism. Rochelle Doutrich, a junior Secondary Education and Social Studies major, thinks an example needs to be made. "I have followed the story for a while now and I wonder where will the argument end up," Rochelle said. He needed to be fired because it would show that it is ok to make these sorts of comments and they will become institutionalized."

Seth Cornell, a freshman basketball player for Mansfield, thinks the punishment was just. "There is freedom of speech, but that doesn't mean what you say will not have consequences. I feel that CBS did the right thing in firing Imus." Cornell said.

During Imus' apology he said that his comment had nothing to do with race and that he was only making a comparison for the sake of the conversation. Cornel still thinks that what he said was wrong despite the excuse. "The whole thing was just offending, even when he compared the players to a guys team," Cornel said.

Ricky Jones, a senior football and track athlete, thinks Imus knew that his comments were racist deep down inside and that he only apologized because it became so infamous. "He shouldn't have made those comments. He knew it was racist when he said it, but he didn't think it would get noticed like it did. I think he should have thought about it because he is seen and heard by the public. If someone else made the same comment it may have not gotten as much attention," Jones said.

Unfortunately Katrina Brumfield may be right when she says this situation uncovers the ignorance that is still in the world. With celebrities spouting slurs like this, the words of Abraham Lincoln ring true, "Nothing is more terrible than ignorance in action."

Despite Imus's apology it was not enough to keep his job. Either way Imus will go down as one of the most well-known radio columnist of all-time. The problem is that many people will know him for the wrong reason. When you ask people who Don Imus is, you may hear isn't that the racist guy?

Hill, Phifer both win bronze medal at Boxing Nationals

First time in school history Mansfield has two medal winners

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Writer

"It's not the size of the dog in the fight, but the size of the fight in the dog." This phrase is used a lot, especially in the sports world, but it held true for the Mansfield University boxing club at the National Boxing tournament in Reno, Nevada this past weekend.

This was the first time Mansfield had ever sent three boxers to Nationals and also the first time that two members won a medal. Boxing coach Richard Gillespie was happy with the results from nationals. "We are very excited where we are right now. We were like the Cinderella team, we got compliments all weekend from other coaches," Coach Gillespie said.

The Mansfield boxing club made great improvements this year by sending three athletes to nationals.

"This was a big step for our program," Gillespie said. "The guys were really excited with how the tournament was run and being on TV made it really exciting. We want to continue to get better and get back to nationals."

Chris Phifer qualified for nationals in the heavyweight division and won his first match of the tournament. Every opponent that Mansfield fought against was from a bigger school. This was no exception as Phifer's opponent was from the University of Kentucky. Phifer won the fight by knock out. His next fight was in the semi-finals against the tournament's defending champion, Ian Tuznik from Air Force. Phifer fought hard but got knocked out in the third round.

"He had a chance to win the match," Gillespie said. "He is extremely well conditioned, we just have to work on his technique."

Phifer came in third place overall in the heavyweight division and was awarded a bronze medal. Tuznik went on to win the championship for the second straight year.

Jarrell Hill also won a bronze medal for Mansfield, finishing in third place in the 132 lb. weight class. Hill's first fight was against Alexander Shin from Air Force, which Hill won by decision. His second fight was against two-time national champion David Shacter from the University of Nevada. Hill fought hard but was unable to come up with the win.

"It was a very courageous final round," Gillespie said. "He dug deep and was still able to punch hard in the last round. I've never seen anything like it, he gave everything he had."

Roi Ligon was the third Mansfield boxer attending nationals. Despite losing his match, Gillespie thought Ligon fought well.

"He put up a good fight; he just didn't do well enough," Gillespie said. "He is very anxious to get back to nationals and improve on what he did from this year."

Mansfield was the smallest school at nationals. The boxers competed against boxers from schools such as Army, Air Force, UNLV and the University of Michigan.

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Chris Phifer had a strong showing at Nationals. Along with teammate Jarrell HIll notched bronze medals for the first time in school history. Despite being the smallest school in the entire compettiion, both Phifer and Hiill held their ground. All three boxers will be returning next year for the Mountaineers, hoping to top their performances of this year.

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Softball struggles as PSAC East play continues

Mountaineers drop six straight division contests

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Writer

The weather has been wreaking havoc on the Mansfield softball team lately. The Mountaineers have had to reschedule games three times in the last week and the schedule changes have not made things easy for the Mountaineers

When they finally got on the field for a double header against West Chester, the Lady Mountaineers out hit the Rams in both games but were unable to translate all those hits into runs. In game one, Mansfield jumped out to the early lead in the third inning when Ashley Gaisser led off the inning with a single followed by another single from Shana Markwis. Both runners were moved up a base on a sacrifice bunt by Kristina Poore. Jess Christ was hit by a pitch to load the bases and Jen Stein's RBI groundout knocked in Gaisser.

West Chester would come right back to take the lead with two runs in the top of the fourth. The Mountaineers came right back in the bottom of the fifth to tie the score at two. With two outs, Jess Christ delivered a double and scored on a double by Jen Stein. The tie game didn't last for long as West Chester retook the lead in the top of the sixth and added an insurance run in the seventh to make the final score 4-2.

Shelly Forsburg took the loss for the Mountaineers going the distance, only giving up four hits. She gave up four runs, three of which were earned while striking out six.

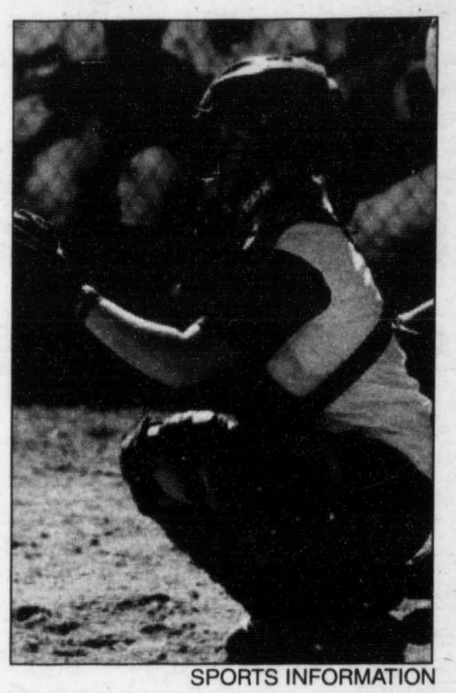
Game two was also a low scoring game as Lindsay Knapp and Shannon Padula came out with strong pitching performances. West Chester got on the board first with two runs in the third and added another run in the fifth. Mansfield finally got to Padula, who also pitched the first game, in the sixth inning. Shana Markwis led off the inning with a double and scored on a single by Poore. Christ followed with a single. Jen Stein was up after Christ and grounded into a force out, leaving Christ at second and Stein at first. Lindsay Knapp flew out to right field and advanced Christ and Stein each up one base. Gab Carullo followed with a RBI single down the right field line to score Christ to bring the score to 3-2. In the top of the seventh inning West Chester added a run to make the score 4-2. The Mountaineers still had a chance to win in the bottom of the seventh. Poore delivered a two out single which brought up Christ to the plate. Christ already had two hits in the game, but flew out to centerfield to end the game.

Lindsay Knapp took the loss, going 4 1/3 innings, giving up three runs on five hits and striking out five. Kristina Poore led the offense with three hits and an RBI while Shana Markwis had two doubles and scored a run. Jess Christ and Gab Carullo had two hits a piece, while Christ scored a run and Carullo picked up an RBI.

The Mountaineers next game of the week was at Kutztown. Kutztown took an early 2-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning. Mansfield got within in a run in the top of the third when Whitney Brown hit a double to lead off the inning. Brown advanced to third on a groundout by Brittany Walker and scored on a single by Jess Christ. That was all the scoring the Mountaineers would get as Kutztown pulled away with five runs in the fifth and two more in the sixth. The Mountaineers were held to six hits in the game, three of them coming from Christ and took the loss, 9-1.

Game two couldn't have started out much better for the Mountaineers as they sprinted out to a 3-0 lead. Lindsay Knapp got things started with a one out single in the top of the second inning. Knapp was forced out at second on a ground ball by Gab Carullo, but Whitney Brown was up next and drove in Carullo with a double to give Mansfield the early 1-0 lead. Mansfield pitcher Lindsay Knapp kept Kutztown scoreless for the first three innings while the Mansfield bats got two more runs on the board in the third inning. Ashley Gaisser led off the third with a walk and moved to second on a single by Shana Markwis. Kristina Poore laid down a sacrifice bunt advancing Gaisser to third and Markwis to second. With two outs, Jen Stein delivered a single to score Gaisser and Markwis and give the Mountaineers a 3-0 lead.

Kutztown would come back to tie the score with a run in the fourth and two more runs in the fifth. There would be no more scoring until the bottom of the eighth when Kutztown scored the winning run for the 4-3 win. Shelly Forsburg took the loss giving up one run in three innings of work. With the loss, Mansfield fell to 4-19 on the season.



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Freshman Jen Stein belted her first homerun of the season in the loss to Millersville. She is currently second on the team in RBI'S.

Next the Mountaineers took on Millersville for a doubleheader. Mansfield lost both games by a score of 4-1. Mansfield fell to 4-21 on the season with the two losses and 1-9 in PSAC east play.

Mansfield next visits Shippensburg on April 17th and Bloomsburg on April 20th. The Mountaineers return home on Saturday April 21 against East Stroudsburg, the time for that is set for 12 p.m.

Mansfield University hosts high school track & field Invitational

North Penn (Women) and Central Columbia (Men) win overall meet

BY CARL FREDERICK
Flashlight Co-Sports Editor

Mansfield University hosted their annual high school track & field invitational this past Saturday. Several high schools throughout both New York and Pennsylvania competed in the meet.

The schools competed in several different events including the shot put, rhe 100 meter dash and the steeplechase.

Previous state champion Albert Johnson, was victorious in both long and triple jump. Johnson out of Corning high school topped his previous mark of 44 feet in the triple jump with a jump of 45 and 8 inches. Johsnon just missed his best mark in the long jump by one inch with 21 feet and 10 inches. Johnson's teammate Travis Mcgowan finished second in the event with a jump of 19 feet and 4 inches.

Central Columbia's sprinter Cliff Toledo helped guide his team to an overall victory with first place finishes in the 100 and 200 meter dash. Toledo was also the anchor leg in the 4X100 meter relay team, that took first place as well.

Central Columbia won the overall meet by over 20 points.

On the women's side North Penn was able to fight off Central Columbia by 14 points. North Penn received first place victories from Becky Spencer in the pole vault (8'0 feet) and Holly Berguson in the shot put (33 feet). Berguson also notched a third place finish in the discuss.

Central Columbia did earn victories in the 100 meter hurdles, with Kelley Sherman winning with a time of 16.98 seconds. Sherman was third in the 300 meter hurdles.

Waverly high school beat their previous time in the 4X100 meter relay with a time of 52. 07. There previous time of 52.40 would have been good enough to have won the meet.

Athens high school finished one point away from a second place finish. Mariah Conrad won the high jump (5 feet 2 incehs), the long jump (15 feet 8 inches) and the triple jump (33 feet 6 inches).

Women's Rankings		Men's Rankings	
1) North Penn	72	1) Central Columbia	116
2) Central Columbia	58.50	2) Corning	91
3) Athens	57	3) Wyalusing	84
4) Wyalusing	56.33	4) Jersey Shore	60
5) Wellsboro	55.50	5) North Penn	46

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Despite weather baseball keeps in playoff hunt with sweep of Bloomsburg: Tyler Noel picks up first win of season

By TOBY MOTYKA
Flashlight Co-Sports Edtior

The weather has wreaked havoc on the Mansfield spring sports schedule ever since the team returned home from Florida in the middle of March. While the weather wasn't any better over the past week, with mid-April snow coating baseball fields across northern Pennsylvania, the Mansfield baseball team managed to play six games, going 3-3 over that stretch.

The action started on Tuesday, April 10 when the Mountaineers hosted a doubleheader against the Millersville Marauders. Mansfield took game one 4-3, but lost game two by a final of 5-0. In the first game, the Mountaineers overcame a late game 3-1 deficit with a two run fourth inning to tie the game. After Ryan Giblin grounded out to start the seventh inning, Dave Meldrum hit his fourth homerun of the year, a solo shot, to give Mansfield the walkoff 4-3 victory.

Mansfield looked for the sweep in game two, but fell behind early and never recovered. The Marauders scored three runs in the first inning and two more in the second en route to the 5-0 win. One run would have been enough in this one, as the Mountaineers were held without a hit for the first time all season and the first time ever at Shaute Field.

The Mountaineers hit the road three days later on Friday, April 13 to Bloomsburg for the first of two weekend doubleheaders. Mansfield showed the lingering effects of being shutout and no-hit, losing both games of the double header by finals of 13-2 and 6-4.

The pitching hit a road block in game one of the doubleheader by giving up 13 runs. Mansfield scored the first run of the game in the top of the first, but Bloomsburg countered with two in the bottom half of the inning. They scored at least one run in every inning the rest of the way. Dan Yoder struggled in the start, giving up nine earned runs in just three innings pitched. Ryan Giblin provided the offense for Mansfield, going 4-4 with an RBI.

Game two was much closer, but the result was the same in the 6-4 loss. Mansfield held a 3-1 lead until the bottom of the fourth when the Huskies scored three runs to take a 4-3 lead. Mansfield scored once in the top half of the fifth, tying the game at four. But Bloomsburg got a two run single in the bottom half of the sixth and shut Mansfield out in the top of the seventh to secure the win.

The two teams returned to Mansfield to play another double header the following day. This time it was the Mountaineers getting the best of the Huskies, winning both games by finals of 6-0 and 11-8.

In game one, freshman southpaw Eric Rosenberger tossed a six hit shutout. None of his six hits allowed were for extra bases and he showed superb control, striking out two without walking a batter. The win was his second of the week, and earned him PSAC East pitcher of the week honors.

On offense Mansfield was led by Chris Miller and pre-season All-American selection Ryan Wyland. Both players had two hits and to RBIs on the day, while Matt Young recorded two RBIs of his own without registering a hit.

Game two was much more of a slugfest than any contest Mansfield had seen in recent weeks. The teams combined for 19 runs, but the Mountaineers accounted for most of them. Bloomsburg scored four quick first inning runs before Mansfield countered with two in the bottom half of the inning to cut the deficit in half. When the second inning came along the Mountaineers established themselves on the offensive end, scoring six runs in the frame. Eight players chipped in with RBIs in the contest, with Meldrum and Travis Leppard recording two of their own to lead the team.

The 3-3 week put the Mountaineer's record at 12-14 on the season and 6-6 in PSAC East play. They are currently tied with West Chester for second in the conference, with Kutztown leading the way at 30-3 (11-1). Mansfield has eight games on the upcoming schedule, including two doubleheaders against East Stroudsburg and two more double dips against Slippery Rock and Lock Haven. The games precede what may be the biggest matchups of the year for Mansfield. They are scheduled to play Kutztown on April 27 and 28.

Coming up in Mountie Sports

April 15	16	17	18	19	20 Baseball: 1 p.m.@ East Stroudsburg Softball: 2:30 p.m. @ Bloomsburg	21 Baseball: 1 p.m. vs. East Stroudsburg Softball: 12 p.m. vs East Stroudsburg Track @ Field @ CTC Championships
22 Baseball: 1 p.m. vs. Slippery Rock	23	24 Baseball: 1 p.m. vs. Lock Haven Softball: 2:30 p.m. @ Shippensburg	25	26 Track @ Field @ Penn Relays	27 Baseball: 1 p.m. vs. Kutztown Softball: 2:30 pm. @ West Chester	28 Baseball: 1 p.m. @ Kutztown Softball: 2:30 p.m.vs. Kutztown

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Mostly Cloudy

High- 63°F
Overnight Low- 36°F

Information taken from weather.com

Cartoons and walking students join forces in the battle against cancer

By ISAAC PRAGLE
Flashlight Advertising Manager

Mansfield University's Colleges Against Cancer organized a mini Relay for Life to support the American Cancer Society (ACS) on April 27-28 in the Kelchner Fitness Center.

The event is held overnight to show that cancer never sleeps.

Relay for Life is an event to raise funds and awareness about cancer. Generally a Relay for Life event is 24 hours long, but Mansfield's event was 12 hours long.

The theme for this year's Relay was "Classic Cartoons." In keeping with the theme for the event, teams designed banners featuring different cartoon characters. Banners ranged from Scooby Doo to Strawberry Shortcake.

Prior to the relay event teams hosted fundraising events to raise money. These events included yard sales, pop can drives and bake sales.

Event organizers sold luminaries to honor both those lost to cancer and those who have survived it as well. The luminaries were on display during the relay to show just a fraction of those who have been affected.

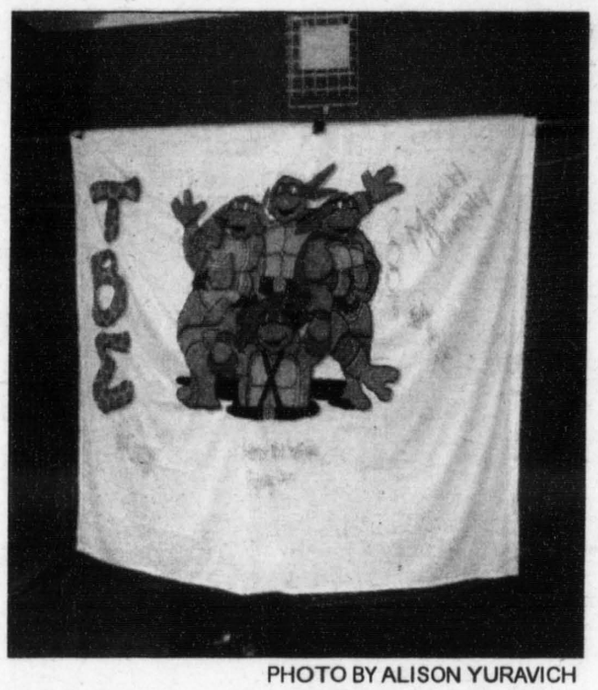

PHOTO BY ALISON YURAVICH
Carrie Goodyear, a brother of Kappa Kappa Psi, painted a cartoon banner for Kappa's sister organization, Tau Beta Sigma.

Prior to the walk, Becky Stender led a ceremony. Stender read the list of names represented. The luminaries were on display the remainder of the event to motivate and remind those walking why they were participating.

Mansfield University has hosted a relay now for three years. To date, the university has raised over $15,000 for cancer research.

Tessa Bieber is a Mansfield student who was instrumental in organizing the event. "Everyone knows someone who has been touched by cancer some way, and I believe that it is my calling to help raise money in the hopes of one day finding a cure," Bieber said.

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Mountaineer Leadership Program presents first Summit Award

By LAURA HALL
Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University Mountaineer Leadership Program (MLP) presented its first Summit Award on April 24, to Damolla Hayward during its recognition celebration.

The MLP was created two years ago. Dr. Dennis Murray, Psychology Professor, Chair of the Psychology Department, and member of the MLP Advisory Council, encouraged the implementation of the MLP here. "I had seen it at other schools and thought it was a great thing to do in Mansfield," Murray said. "Its purpose is to involve students in something over and above what they learn in the classroom. It also helps them to learn leadership skills."

There are three levels to the program. The first is the Bronze, which focuses on life skills leadership. The next is Silver, which focuses on refining leadership. The final level is Gold, which focuses on enacting leadership.

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Mansfield University host to enthusiastic young athletes in Special Olympics

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University hosted the annual Special Olympics on Wednesday, May 25.

It was a cold and rainy day at Van Norman field on Wednesday, but the competitors could have cared less. They were enjoying the running and throwing events, and having a great time. It was their day to shine and they weren't going to let anything get in the way.

One hundred and thirty-eight athletes competed in 10 events, seven track events and three field events. This was at least the 30th year the event was held in the area and the 20th year it was held at Mansfield.

Bill Miller has been helping at the Special Olympics for 20 years and was the announcer for the event. "The event gives individuals with disabilities the chance to participate that they might not get at school. It is competitive but it is fun, that is the whole idea, to have fun and get a great experience," Miller said.

In addition to the 138 athletes, each athlete must have an escort and be accompanied to all events. Sometimes an athlete will get lost, and Miller would get a radio call from the person in charge of that event and announce for that athlete to get to their event. "It happens sometimes, but that is why we are here."

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Weekly Weather

TODAY

Mostly Cloudy

High: 63 Low: 36

FRIDAY

Sunny

High:60 Low:34

SATURDAY

Sunny

High: 62 Low:37

SUNDAY

Sunny

High: 66 Low: 42

MONDAY

Partly Cloudy

High: 71 Low: 50

TUESDAY

Partly Cloudy

High: 69 Low: 48

WEDNESDAY

Showers

High: 67 Low:48

Information taken from www.weather.com

Mansfield University faculty members receive honors

Mansfield University provost Dr. Michael Renner announced the recipients of the 2007 outstanding faculty awards this week. The following is a statement from Dr. Renner:

I'm very excited about these awards. There is so much wonderful work going on here, where faculty make a big difference in the lives of MU's students. It's high time we brought more public recognition to some of the faculty who are doing this good work. Descriptions of the awards and the selection criteria are attached.
It's important to note that the process toward both of these awards starts with nomination by a student.

First Year Teaching Award
This award was designed in conjuction with the Center for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning, who also helped manage the selection process.
I'm grateful to the following committee members for their work on the selection process:

First Year Experience Committee Chair or Designee - Dr Jeffrey Bosworth (designee)
Director, Center for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning - Bia Bernum
Provost or Designee - Dr Denise Seigart (Interim Associate Provost - designee)
Student - Jilliane Bolt
Volunteer Faculty - Dr Jocelyn J Cooledge

There were three nominees for the First Year teaching award:

Dr. Bruce Carpenter
Dr. Adrianne McEvoy
Dr. John Ulrich

They are all exemplary teachers and deserve to be commended for their exceptional work with first year students.
I am very pleased to announce that the Provost's Award for Outstanding Teaching in the First Year for 2007 is presented to **Dr. John Ulrich.**

Advising Award
This award was designed in conjuction with the Academic Advising Resource Group (ARG), who also helped manage the selection process.
The committee for this award deserve my thanks for the work they did in recommending award selections:

Chair, Academic Advising Resource Group(ARG) or Designee – Dr. Leslie Clifford (designee)
Director, Academic Advising Center or Designee – Prof. Deb Rotella
Provost or Designee – Dr. Peter Keller (Interim Dean of the Faculty - designee)
Student - Mr. Aaron Hackman
Volunteer Faculty – Dr. Karen Guenther

There were seven nominees for the Advising Award this year, and each deserves recognition for having a student identify them for making a special contribution. These are:

Scott Davis
Robert Maris
Fanny Arango-Keeth
Andrew Gaskievicz
Cindy Keller
Nicole Wilson
Flor Blanco

I am very pleased to announce that we have awarded two faculty members with the Provost's Award for Outstanding Academic Adivising for 2007. They are **Dr. Andrew Gaskiewicz** and **Dr. Robert Maris**.

Mansfield University Concert Wind Ensemble ends semester on a high note with final concert

By REBECCA HAZEN
Flashlight Writer

The Concert Wind Ensemble performed its last concert of the year, Sunday, April 29, at Mansfield University in Steadman Theatre.

The wind ensemble consists of 48 auditioned students who play woodwind, brass and percussion instruments. These students perform wind and percussion music pieces. It is the second oldest wind ensemble in the country, founded in 1953 by then director of bands, Bertram Francis. The Mansfield University Concert Wind Ensemble records annually and is recognized as one of the finest collegiate wind ensembles in the east.

The Wind Ensemble played a variety of works, new and old, including "Canzona doudecimi toni," "Concerto for Alto Saxophone" and "Wind Orchestra" by Mike Mowers and "Yosemite Autumn" by Mark Camphouse.

The concert featured guest saxophone soloist Dr. Joseph Murphy, the assistant chair and professor of music, graduate assistant conductor Aaron Robertson, and a few special and different pieces.

Audience members were encouraged to sing along with "On the Mall Concert March" by Edwin Frank Goldman. The piece "Red, Black and Gold!" by Dr. Adam Brennan was performed by the brothers of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.The song was commissioned in honor of their 75th anniversary at Mansfield University. Members of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia sang with the Wind Ensemble and the Symphony Orchestra.

"Symphony No. 4" by David Maslanka was played as the finale. This is a 29 minute long work. Dr. Brennan, chair of the Music Department and conductor of the Concert Wind Ensemble, says this piece is his favorite out of all the pieces that were performed. "Maslanka is an incredible composer, and his music is packed with meaningful moments and kernels of powerful emotion and presence," Brennan said.

Brennan chooses each piece through listening and research. He also gets ideas from colleagues who have had good experiences playing the pieces. "For me, the music has to be very meaningful- and not just from a composer's point of view. It has to speak to me and to move me, to be artfully crafted and constructed," Brennan said.

Time was taken throughout the concert to give senior farewells. The departing students whom were honored included Zachary Joseph, Tim Walk, Lauren Bernard, Jennifer Anderson, Aaron Robertson, Daniel Foster, Ryan Hughes, Randy Metz and Krystal Jacobs. Each of the students were introduced, and given a plaque in memory of their time in the ensemble.

Brennan is proud of all of his students in the Wind Ensemble. "I am amazed at what our students are capable of," Brennan said. "The students have demonstrated their capacity for really digging in to create an artistic performance. Each time, new demands are placed on them and they consistently rise to the occasion. I feel incredibly blessed to have such excellent student musicians."

PHOTO BY REBECCA HAZEN
Mansfield University's Concert Wind Ensemble has been in existence since 1953. The musicians performed their last concert of the semester and honored their graduating seniors on April 29.

Mansfield music major earns top honors for original song in nationwide competition

Mansfield University music education major Joe Miller is a finalist in the National Association for Music Education (MENC) 10th Annual John Lennon Scholarship Songwriting Program.

He is one of 46 state representatives in the nationwide competition for a $10,000 scholarship which will be awarded for first prize and two $5,000 scholarships for second and third prizes. The winners will be announced in June.

The junior from Horseheads, NY entered his original song "The Troubadour" through the Mansfield University MENC Chapter. It was forwarded to the state committee to be judged along other entries from Pennsylvania. His song will now be put along side finalists from other states to be judged by the panel at Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI).

"I keep thinking to myself, 'What were the judges saying when they heard my song?' Miller said. "I would love to know what they said or get to meet them and pick their brains a little bit and find out what the song means to them. The song, 'The Troubadour', means a lot to me. It's based on a dream I've always had to be able to travel around and play for people."

While the song tells the story of a married musician who sacrifices time away from his family to perform, taking his act on the road is something Miller might do once he finishes his degree at Mansfield University.

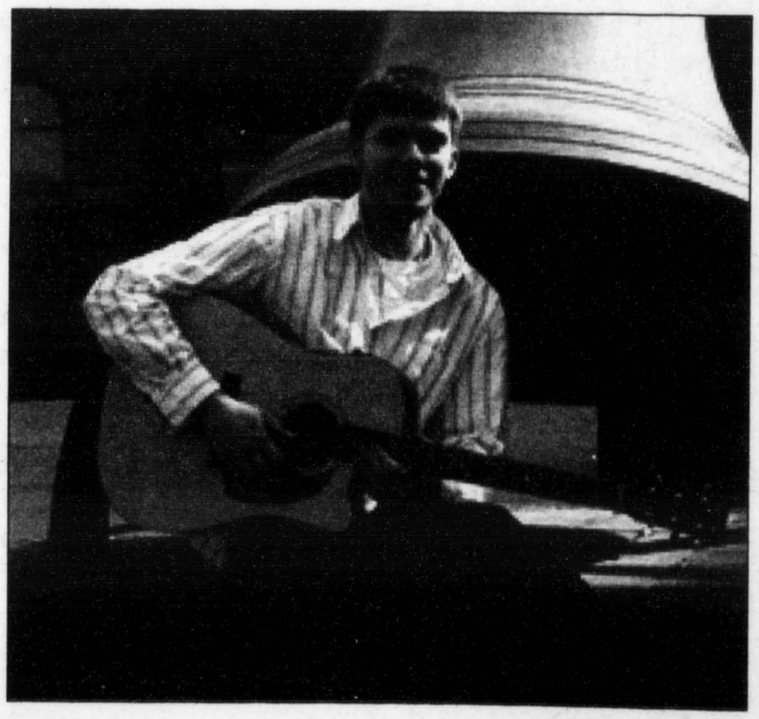
Miller says the encouragement to pursue his dreams of composing and performing comes from his family, especially his grandfather Al Doyle of Guilford, NY, who first told Miller about the Lennon Scholarship Program when he was a student at Edison High School in Elmira Heights.

"He has always encouraged me and urged me to go for it," Miller said "It was cool to call him when I found out about the contest. He jumped right out of his seat."

While the name John Lennon may not be known to many in his generation, Miller says he knows full well of the former Beatles' legacy and lists Lennon among his early musical influences.

"My brother Ryan influenced me with my music and we grew up listening to The White Album," Miller said. "We'd also listen to Billy Joel, Elton John and Eric Clapton. Then, during the summer I'd go over to my neighbor's house to be babysat and I'd listen to Tupac (Shakur) and Biggie (Smalls) and all these hip-hop artists. My Mom never knew because I thought I'd be in trouble. I've done a lot of research into hip-hop and there's a Tupac poem that I've written music to and it will be on my new album."

Miller has completed work on the album, "Worn Out Joke", and it is scheduled to be released this summer. During the school year Miller performs in the Mansfield University Concert Choir and year round he appears at local coffee houses and other venues.



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Mansfield University student Joe Miller is a finalist in the National Association for Music Education 10th Annual John Lennon Scholarship Songwriting program for his piece "The Troubadour." Miller is a music education major.

'RELAY'

This sentiment was echoed by Tioga County Commissioner Mark Hamilton. "[It is] Very important for cancer survivors. It is kind of amazing the amount of support they get for the Relay for Life activities," Hamilton said. "I think everybody knows someone a friend or relative affected by cancer."

There was an assortment of things to do to while taking a break from walking. Events included a frozen T-shirt contest, aerobics classes and a scavenger hunt.

Although the goal of $12,500 was not met, the event was a success according to Amanda Fuhrer who is the advocacy chair. "We didn't meet our goal of $12,500, but we did make over $10,000 which is more than we made last year," Fuhrer said.

Aaron Hackman is a member of Sigma Tau Gamma and participated in the Relay for Life. "I think Relay For Life is an excellent opportunity to come together for increased awareness of cancer victims and survivors," Hackman said. "I'm very proud of the Greek organizations for being part of Relay for Life for such a long period of time and in the future."

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Ebby Basalyga has helped with the Special Olympics for over 30 years. She started helping when she was a junior at Mansfield and is in her last year as the coordinator of the event.

"This is the 20th year that the parents have been in charge of the event. Before that, the Intermediate unit had it, but they were about to give it up, so the parents took it over," Basalyga said. "I was a special education major so it made sense for me to be involved with this. My favorite part is the middle of the day. The 4X1 relay was outstanding. The athletes did a wonderful job and the crowd really got into it. That's what it's all about. A lot of the events are running, the athletes are having fun and smiling, no matter what."

The event does have help from local sponsors and is not just regulated to the athletic events. The local schools have a banner contest and a number of high schools in the area volunteer their time. Some of the sponsors that donate time are the Red Cross, the Tioga County human services, the Pennsylvania Department of Health and radio station KC 101.5.

'LEADERSHIP'

The Summit Award, which will be presented every spring, is given to a student who has completed, up to and including, the Gold Level Core Workshops. "The recipient embodies the spirit of the [MLP], demonstrating authentic leadership personally, academically, and socially. [It] brings with it a $200 gift certificate, redeemable at the Mansfield University Bookstore" the MLP student handbook said. The recipient also has to demonstrate the principles of Character, Scholarship, Culture and Service that are mentioned in the Mansfield University Creed.

Hayward has had a great experience with the MLP. "The MLP has made me more confident in my abilities and myself as a leader. My future goals seem more concrete after the program and I feel more prepared and able to make them happen. If it were not for the MLP I would not have taken a lot of the opportunities that have come my way," Hayward said.

Hayward advises other students to become a part of the MLP. "You never know what you may learn about yourself. The MLP helps people look at and evaluate themselves on all different levels. Before a person can show the world who they are and what they are about, they must first show themselves."

"The [MLP] is part of the bigger picture of Mansfield University, encouraging all students that they can be leaders," Murray said. "I hope the program continues to grow."

Damolla Hayward is the first student to complete the Mountaineer Leadership Program and the first student to receive the Summit Award. "I truly feel honored and shocked all at the same time. I know that in life I will achieve many things, but I never thought I would be the first to do anything. It is an amazing feeling," Hayward said.

Senior brunch lives thanks to generosity of several faculty members and campus organizations

By KARA NEWCOMER
Flashlight Editor-In-Chief

The senior celebration brunch tradition will continue despite the many budget restrictions that the university is currently facing.

The senior brunch has been a long standing tradition at Mansfield, so when it was discovered that the brunch may need to be cancelled many members of the campus community were upset.

"The senior brunch is an important tradition that honors all seniors," Dr. Lee Wright, communication department chair, said. "It's a great way to say congratulations to the students."

When Dr. Wright learned that the senior brunch was in danger of being cut from the graduation activities he and his wife, dietetics professor Dr. Kathy Wright, offered to continue the tradition by donating $1,000 to the event for the next five years.

The senior brunch has far more meaning to the Wrights than just the average end of the year celebration. In 1982 at their senior brunch celebration Dr. Wright noticed Kathy from across the room and asked a mutual friend about her.

Later that day during graduation practice Dr. Wright was standing at the end of the line among the Bachelor of Arts students while then Kathy Andrews stood at the beginning of the Bachelor of Science students. The rest "is history" and now both have returned to Mansfield as faculty members.

> "The senior brunch is an important tradition that honors all seniors."
> *-Dr. Lee Wright*

"The senior brunch is a wonderful end of the year celebration that gives the seniors and faculty a last chance to say goodbye," Dr. Peter Keller, interim dean of faculty, said. "The brunch spans over three decades and it is very generous for the Wrights to carry on the tradition."

The Wrights are not the only members of the campus community that have stepped up to continue the tradition of the senior brunch. The Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculties, the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, the Provost's office, and the Alumni Association have all donated funds to the event.

The Alumni Association has always funded and organized the senior brunch in the past and still organizes most of the graduation events.

According to Denise Berg, director of alumni relations, when it became apparent that the Alumni office was going to have to make cuts as a result of budget restrictions the senior brunch was the only event that made sense. It is one of the most expensive events that the Alumni office hosts, costing an average of $2,000. It is also the only time that the Alumni office serves the same audience twice in the same day; with two different events for seniors on the day of graduation rehearsal.

Berg said that the graduation picnic that is held after rehearsal is typically the more popular event for seniors because it isn't so early in the morning and is less formal than the brunch. Another factor that went into consideration was the attendance at the brunch. According to attendance records from last year's brunch only 11 out of 21 Outstanding Seniors attended the brunch.

The senior brunch is scheduled for 10 a.m. on Friday, May 11. The alumni office has secured two speakers for the event.

Emerson Drive rocks Straughn Hall

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Copy Editor

Country band Emerson Drive performed on April 26 in Straughn Auditorium with funding from Student Activities.

Emerson Drive is originally from a small town called Grand Prairie in Alberta, Canada, but moved to Nashville, TN where they signed with Midas Records Nashville on their most recent album, Countrified. Their previous two albums, the self-title album and their second release, "What If?" were with Dreamworks Nashville.

The band began to assemble when lead singer, Brad Mates, and friends Pat Allingham and Chris Hartman performed in an eleventh grade talent show. The trio went on to play gigs in their area. Soon, guitarist Danick Dupelle, bassist Jeff Loberg, and drummer Mike Melancon joined to form Emerson Drive (www.cmt.com).

"Emerson Drive comes from a road outside of my hometown called the Emerson Trail and connects to the mile zero point of the Alaska Highway and it's an old, unique road back home, so that's how we tied it with the band," Mates said.

Emerson Drive released their self-titled album in 2002, breaking into the Top 5 with crowd favorites "I Should Be Sleeping" and "Fall Into Me." Brittany McClain is a sophomore at Mansfield University who attended the concert. "I like it [I Should Be Sleeping] because I knew it and when they sang it at the concert it was a fun song that everyone was singing to and having a good time," McClain said.

Upon releasing their second album, "What If?," the band line up changed. Mates, Dupelle, and Melancon combined with bassist Patrick Bourque, fiddler David Prichette, and synthesizer Dale Wallace. The sextet recently released Countrified, which produced the hit "Moments," which has risen to number ten on the Billboard Country Music Chart.

Straughn's doors opened at 8 pm. Approximately 1500 people filled the auditorium, making the concert sold out. Emerson Drive has only been the second country band to play at Mansfield University. Johnny Cash was the first, performing in 1993.

Emerson Drive performed such favorites as "Moments," "I Should Be Sleeping" and "Fall Into Me."

Laura Shutts is a freshman at Mansfield Univeristy who attended the concert. "[The concert] was very good. It was fun to attend an alternative to the other concerts that are up here," Shutts said.

The concert ended around 11:30 pm after an encore performance of their final song on the Countrified CD, The Devil Went Down to Georgia, a cover of the Charlie Daniels Band classic.

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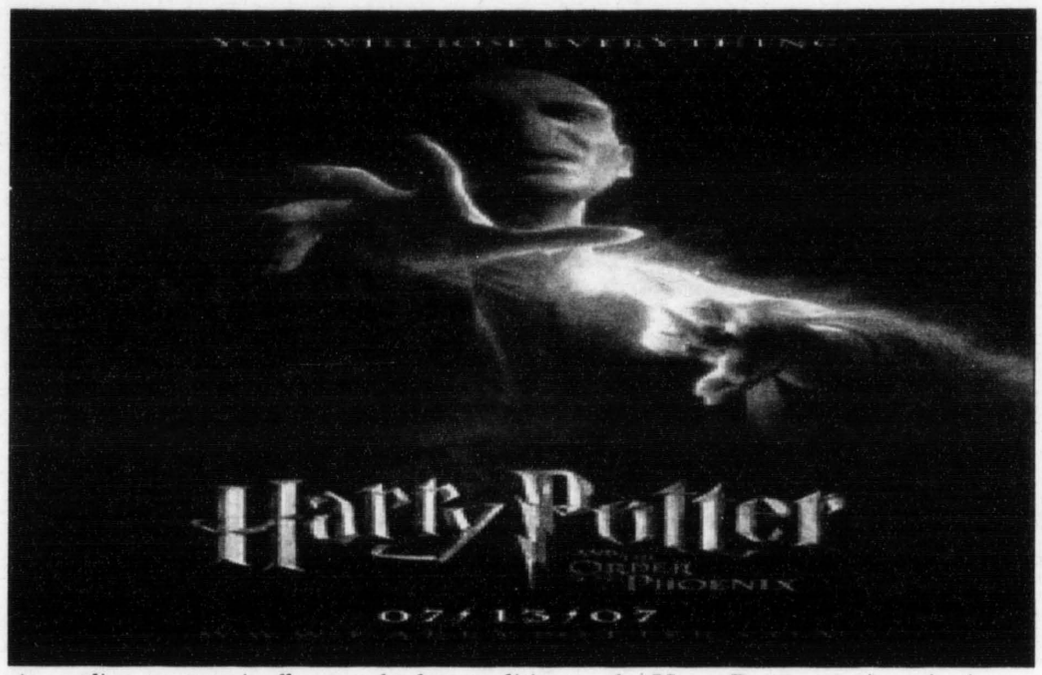
A preview of what's coming to the box office in Summer 2007

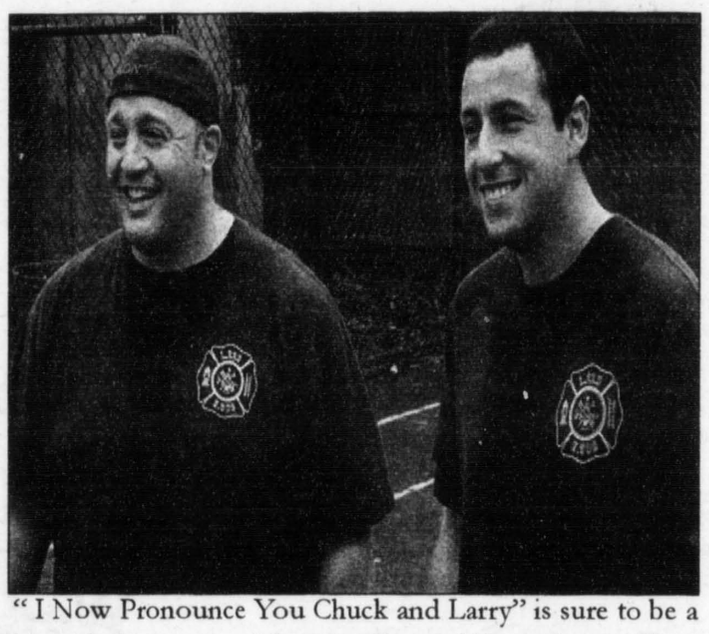
By JOE SEROSKI
Flashlight Features Co-Editor

Summer may be a time for cruising around town with your windows down blaring your music, but many forget that some of the biggest movies of the year come out during those summer months.

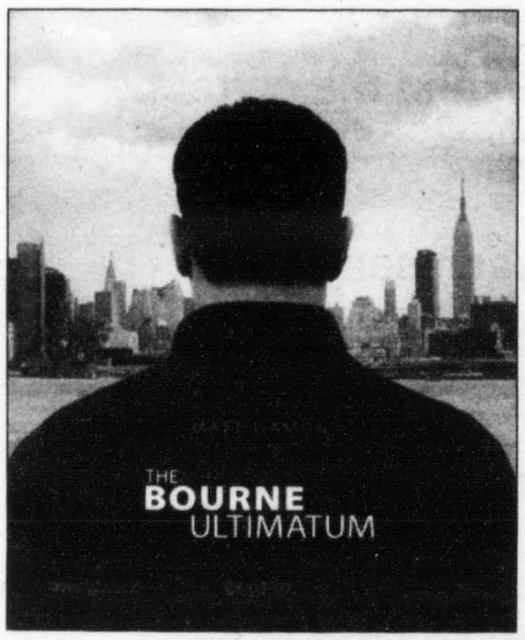
The Summer of 2007 is no different. Matt Damon is back as Jason Bourne, Harry Potter is bakc on the big screen, and Bruce Willis is back in the latest "Die Hard' flick after having a prolonged absence as John McClane. Although not named here, other possible big movies this summer include The Simpsons Movie, "Ocean's Thirteen," and "Underdog" featuring the voicing of "My Name is Earl" star Jason Lee. In this week's issue, I decided to give a small preview of some of this summer's possible blockbusters.



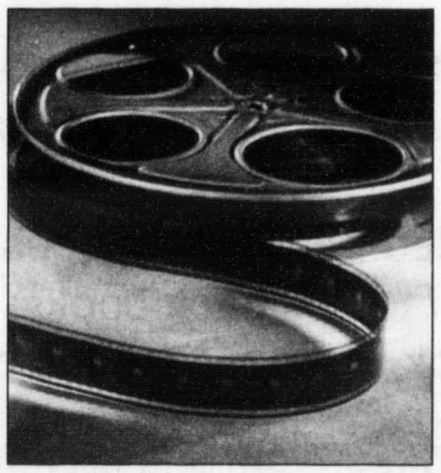
According to www.imdb.com, the latest edition to the Harry Potter movie series is where things turn dark for Harry and company. The movie is described as "With their warning about Lord Voldemort's return scoffed at, Harry and Dumbledore are targeted by the Wizard authorities as an authoritarian bureaucrat slowly seizes power at Hogwarts." Harry and his sorcery blasts into theaters July 13.



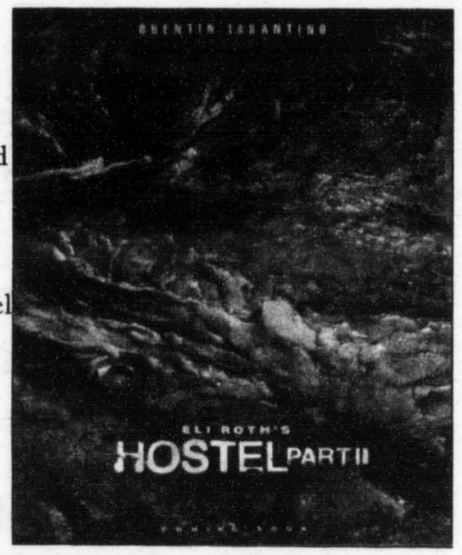
" I Now Pronounce You Chuck and Larry" is sure to be a hit with funny men Adam Sandler and Kevin James. They play two straight, single firefighters who pretend to be a homosexual couple in order to receive domestic partner benefits. This one hits theaters July 20.



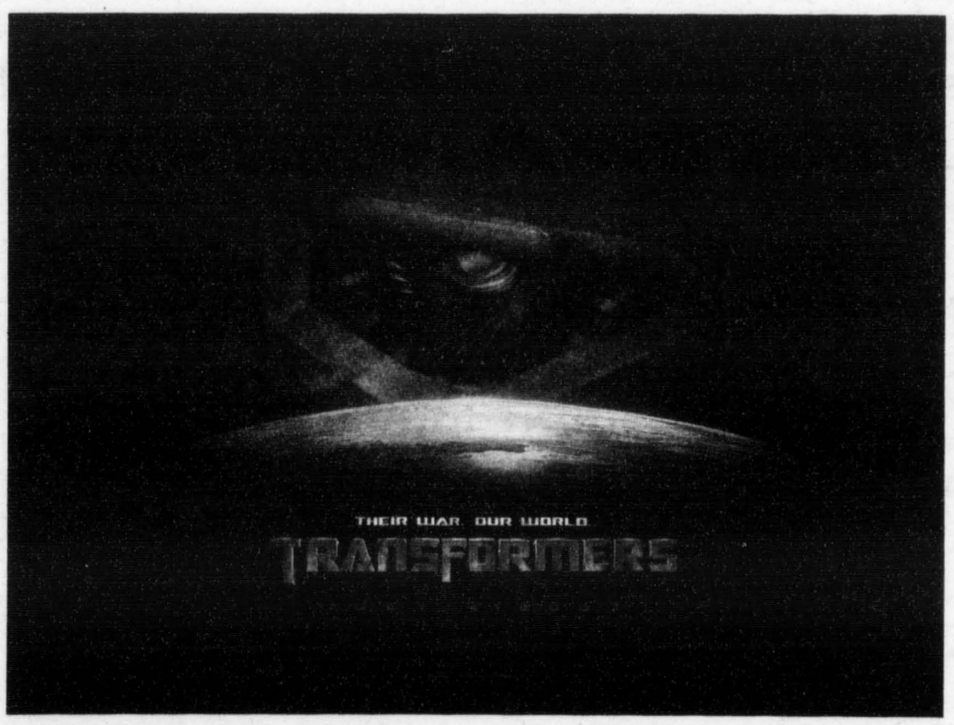
The government is chasing after Jason Bourne again in the third installment of the Bourne Trilogy, "The Bourne Ultimatum." The same director, screenwriter and actors/actresses are back for "The Bourne Ultimatum" so this one is sure to be blow-up at the theaters on August 3. It will definitely be worth the wait.



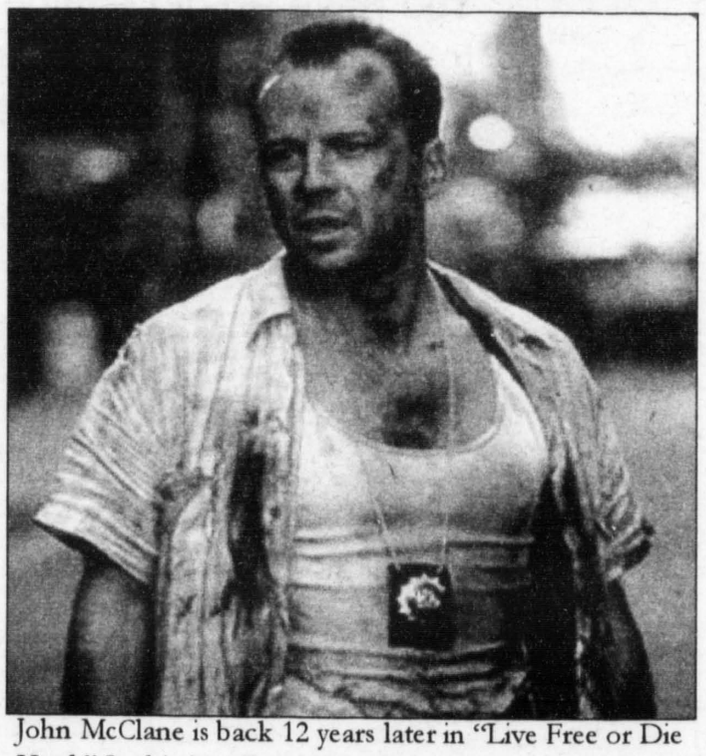
"Hostel: Part II" slices through theaters on June 8. This time arond three women are studying art in Rome when they are lured away to a Slovakian hostel. Rumors say a few characters from the first Hostel are back and there may be a third installment. However, contrary to rumors, there will be no Paris Hilton in this one.



"Knocked Up" stars Seth Rogen who has a one night stand with a girl way out of his league, and the girl ends up pregnant. "40-Year-Old Virgin" director Judd Apatow is back and looking for another hit with this summer flick. The usual Apatow crew stars in "Knocked Up," and some are saying it will be the blockbuster of the summer. Catch this one in theaters June 1.



From the director of "Independence Day," "Transformers" stomps into the box office July 6. "Disturbia" star Shia LaBeouf plays the lead character in the film, Sam Witwicky. The film is about the Autobots and the Decepticons bringing their battle to earth and leaving the future of mankind in question.



John McClane is back 12 years later in "Live Free or Die Hard." In this installment McClane takes on an internet-based terrorist organization who is shutting down the United States. This one also stars "Dodgeball" star Justin Long and actor Timothy Olyphant. This one is sure to chockful of action. "Live Free or Die Hard" hits the box office on June 27.

Review: Brand New rocks the stage at The Electric Factory

By MIKE LENGEL
Flashlight Writer

Two months of waiting came to an end as I stood in line at The Electric Factory in Philadelphia to see Brand New. I had seen them twice before, but they were an opening act both times, so I had only had a taste of what they were like live. Even while listening to the soundchecks from outside, it was plain to see the difference between an opening act and a headliner.

As for opening acts, Manchester Orchestra and Kevin Devine and the God Damn Band were on the bill as the appetizers for the evening. Andy Hull, lead singer/songwriter for Manchester Orchestra pointed out, unbeknownst to me when I bought the tickets, tonight was the last night of the tour. As he praised the other bands and thanked the crew and his other band members and started into his next song, a wave of energy came over the crowd. Suddenly, the fourth row became the first row, then the sixth row, then the 12th row. The movement of the masses was annoying, but almost poetic, in that the emotion of the crowd took shape.

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Brand New broke into the mainstream with their sophomore album "Deja Entendu."

The two openers were great, a lot better than anyone had expected. What made it better, being that it was the last show of the tour, all three bands decided to play songs together.

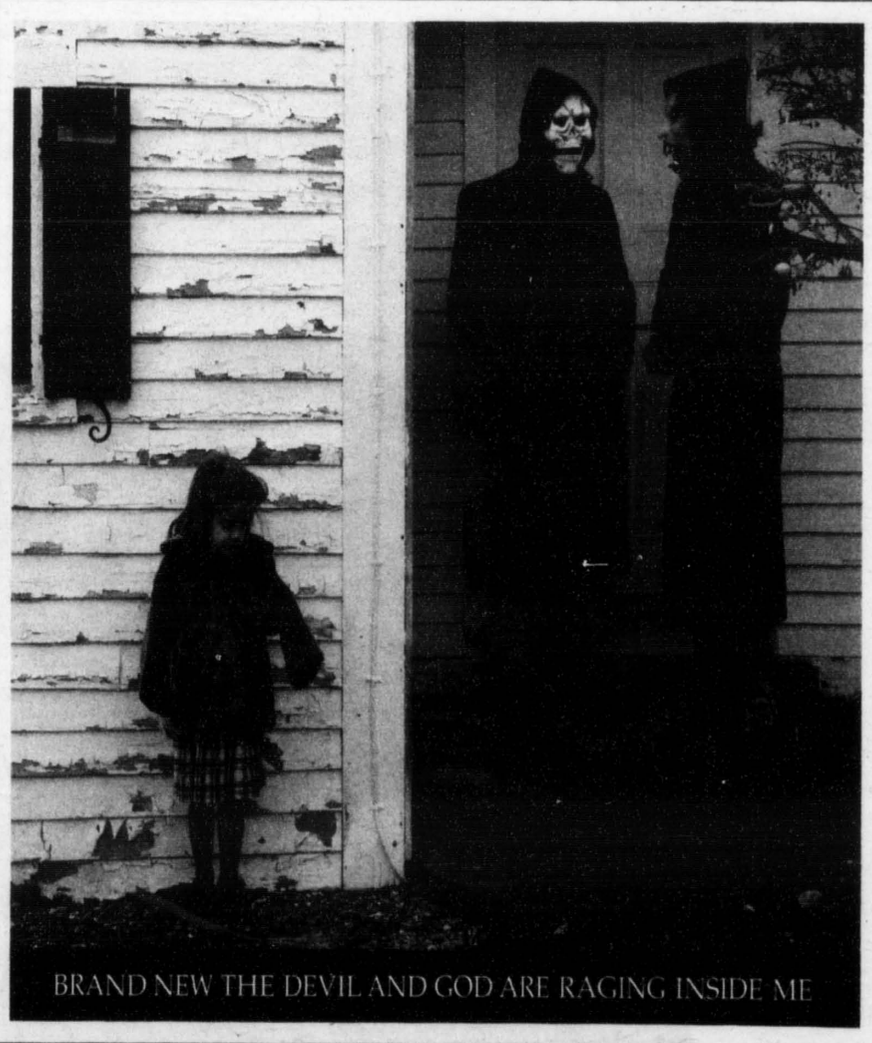
At one point, there were as many as three drummers, six guitar players and three singers on stage. But finally, the lights went out. Brand New walked out on stage and didn't say a word - a few tests of the instruments, amps and mics were the only sounds produced. That is, until the first song, perhaps one of their most popular songs, "Okay I Believe You, But My Tommy Gun Don't." With that, Jesse Lacey's first words hit hard: "I am heaven sent, don't you dare forget."

From there came a heart melting acoustic performance of "The Boy Who Blocked His Own Shot," a song about missed opportunities and second chances, a common theme throughout all of Brand New's music; a common theme throughout life; a common theme throughout the concert. Every word spoken or sang throughout the show seemed almost painful, from experience, as if he were telling a story. Those stories are, of course, turned into song.

One of their most popular songs, "Seventy Times Seven," a song about a best friend betraying the friendship has become the most common first-heard Brand New song. To Jesse, this becomes a joke, knowing that a lot of people at the concert might be there just to hear that song, he plays with us. Leaning into the mic, he announces, "This song's called 'Seventy Times Seven,'" and correct with his prediction, hands went up and the screams were louder than they had been all night. But when the first chords of "Degausser," and not "Seventy Times Seven" were heard, it was hard to get quiet again. Everyone realized what he had just done, but it's still Brand New on stage. The screams became louder still.

The angst of "Jesus Christ" and the "unfortunate story" of "Limousine" might have been the highlights of the show, up until the last song, at least. As the lights dimmed for the last time, Andy Hull reappeared with an acoustic guitar and started to play a quick, familiar progression. Jesse threw down the mic stand, telling us he wasn't going to be singing in this song, which meant one thing: "Welcome To Bangkok," an instrumental song from the latest album, "The Devil and God Are Raging Inside Me."

The drums picked up in sync with the lights and suddenly, the stage was full again - every member of all three bands with instruments in their hands crowded the scene. The energy of the song symbolizes the change of thoughts. It comes at the midway point in the album, suggesting the crossing over of feelings from A to B (in the album's case, the Devil to God, or vice versa). Perhaps Lacey wanted the concert to be A, and the world we enter afterwards, B. As for the tour, it came to a destructive end. The three minute "Welcome To Bangkok" was turned into a ten minute free-for-all. Feedback and haunting guitar delays filled the dais while everyone on stage smashed guitars, threw drums, kicked over amps and monitors, and at one point, jumped from scaffolding onto anything left intact. All three bands joined arms and took a bow and waved goodbye. I found myself pushing through people to get back to the front, as if it were the beginning of the show all over again. To be as close as possible to the destruction that ensued was therapeutic, as the two months I had waited to see them headline was in shambles on the stage in front of me.



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"The Devil and God are Raging Inside Me" is Brand New's major league debut on Interscope Records. Interscope Records is also home to AFI, Jimmy Eat World, ...and you will know us by the Trail of Dead, Wolfmother and U2. The first single off the album was "Sowing Season (Yeah)."

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By MIKE
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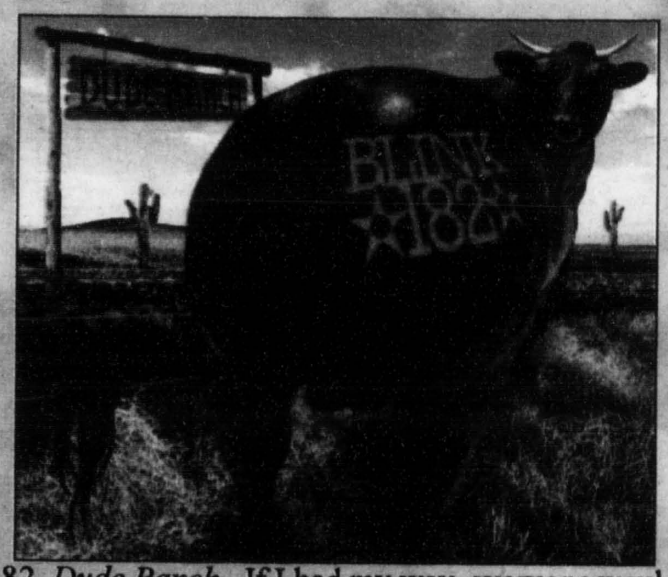
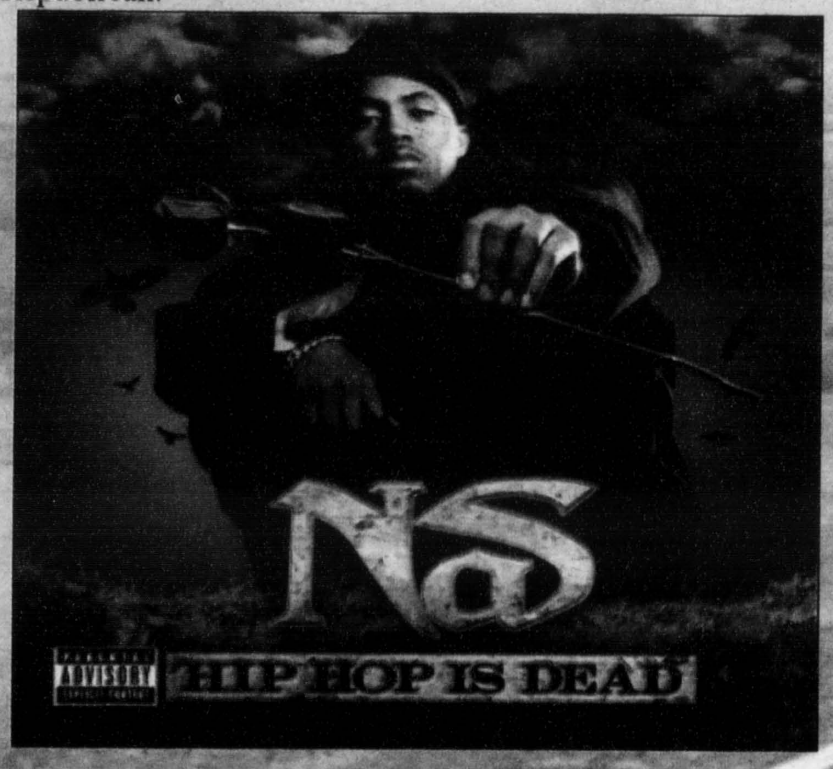
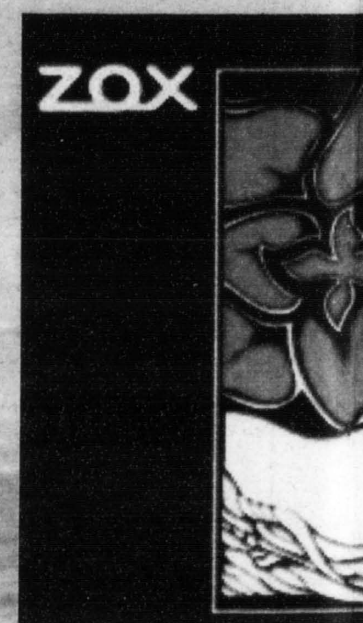


Blink182, *Dude Ranch* - If I had my way, everyone would own this album. From every catchy beat and aggressive chord to the vivid lyrics, it can be safely classified as the album that defines the teenage/high school years. But for those of you anti-nostalgic people, the lessons presented in songs like "Lemmings," which preaches not to follow the actions of others, can still be plugged into any life formula. Songs to check out: "Dammit," "Josie," "Pathetic," "Emo."

Nas, *Hip Hop Is Dead* - When it was released in December of 2006, the album was meant to cause a reaction, and it succeeded with flying colors. So much, in fact, that Young Jeezy released a song called "Hip Hop is Not Dead" in response to the album. Nas' rat-a-tat style of rhyming and arranging shows through more than any other album. As Steve Juon from RapReviews.com stated, "Nas has made a passionate album to reawaken your love of the art and if your heart isn't thumping in your chest by the end then it's not hip-hop that's dead, it's you." Songs to check out: "Carry On Tradition," "Black Republican."



Led Zeppelin, *1* - The first thing you hear on the album, Jimmy Page's double stab guitar on "Good Times, Bad Times," was the first sound that started Led Zeppelin's rise to the top of musical heights. However, it is "Dazed and Confused" that serves as the masterpiece of the album. Complete with acoustic/electric, blues/metal combinations, the album was monumental in its influence on other musicians. Songs to check out: "Dazed and Confused," "Babe I'm Gonna Leave You."



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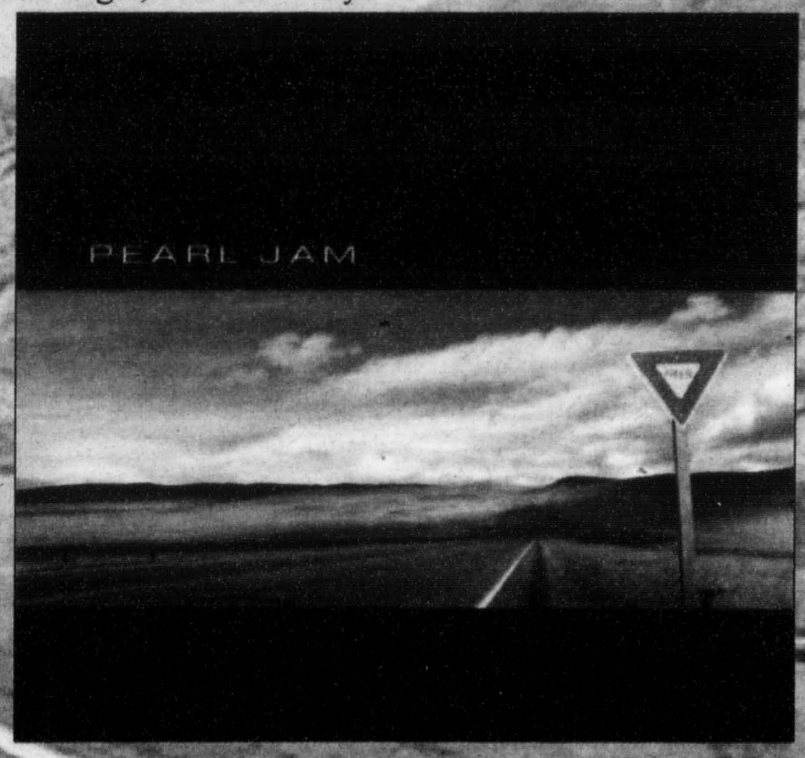
Jason Mraz, *Mr. A-Z* - Perfect for night-time driving! Mr. A-Z could be songwriting at today's best if you listen to it enough. Keeping it mostly medium paced, Mraz's catchy, punchy lines and beats are obviously hip-hop influenced, as clearly heard in "Geek in the Pink." However, he easily makes the rocky transition from hip-hop to Opera... yes, Opera, in the song "Mr. Curiosity," then to Salsa... yes, Salsa, in "Bella Luna." Songs to check out: "Bella Luna," "Geek in the Pink," "Plane."

This list is short, trust me. If you want a huge list, feel free to contact me and I'll give you a list the size of a 7 year old girl's Christmas list. Have fun with the music and with everything else this summer, and remember - windows down, music up! - Mike Lengel

The Format, *Interventions + Lullabies* - If you need something catchy, The Format is the band to put on your grocery list. Difficult to put in a specific genre, The Format touches on pop, alternative, punk, and some jangly, circus-ish country, hence the allegorical band name, a joke about the music industry's format for producing a hit. If you don't need catchy, but you do need happy, then this album is also for you, as every song seems to illustrate the soundtrack to a summer beach party. Songs to check out: "The First Single," "Wait, Wait, Wait," "Let's Make This Moment A Crime."

Pearl Jam, *Yield* - The fifth album in the Pearl Jam catalog, it has been called the closest thing to Ten's (their first album) straightforward rock style. This is one of the few albums that I own that I can't bring myself to switch through songs - I have to start at "Brain of J." and work my way to "All Those Yesterdays." And if the songs themselves aren't satisfying enough, dig deeper. Try to put your finger on exactly what the song is trying to say. Songs like "Pilate," (in reference to The Bible's Pontius Pilate, not the yoga-like exercise) baffle even the most intellectual minds. Songs to check out: "Pilate," "Wishlist," "Low Light," "Given to Fly."



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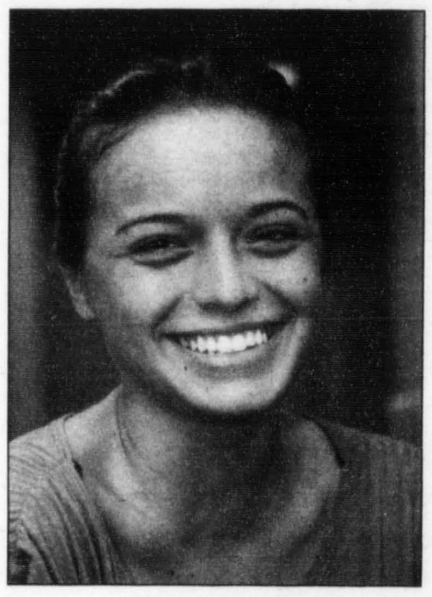

Looking forward to Fall 2007

The end of the year is fast approaching and if you're anything like me, you can't believe it.

I feel like just last week I was coming back to school from Christmas break and now I'm rushing around with the rest of campus working on final projects, papers and studying for exams.

This is the last issue of the Flashlight for the semester and I will miss it, however it's also a relief. I love working on the paper each week but at times it can get extremely stressful and it will be nice to have a four month break. But I will be back, yes, you're stuck with me as Editor for one more semester.

I've enjoyed writing my editorials this year but sometimes (as you may be able to tell) its a little difficult to come up with something to write about that I feel the entire campus would find interesting. There's no doubt that not everyone is going to be interested, but I've done by best and I hope you've enjoyed them.

However, like I said it's hard to come up with something that the entire campus will find interesting which is why I really want to get more students to give their input. Write letters, send me an e-mail, stop by the office. This organization is designed to serve you- the students- and I would appreciate your feedback and participation, it would end up benefitting you in the long run.

I'm not trying to preach about involvement but I want to know what the students want to see in the paper each week.

Either way, whether people give me input or not, expect to see some changes in the *Flashlight* next year. With a year of experience under my belt I feel that next fall the *Flashlight* will be 100 times better. (I probably just jinxed myself by saying that, but I believe its true.)

Not that the Flashlight was horrible this year, quite the opposite actually. I think we did a pretty good job (if I do say so myself) and I'm very proud of the product that this staff has put out each week.

Without all of my editors this paper would be nothing, it takes the hard work and dedication of a lot of people to put the paper together every week. Much of the staff is graduating and it's just not going to be the same without them. Michelle, Andrew, Carl, Joe ,Toby and Kevin I'll miss you all very much- thank you so much for all the work that you've done this year, you've all made my life a lot easier.

Although I will miss my current editors, like I said, be expecting some changes. We have an all new staff lined up that I know can do great things.

Until then... thanks to everyone that contributed to the paper this year and I look forward to seeing you all next year.

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Letter to the Editor:

Social work program addresses Mansfield's Youth

Dear Editor,

We are writing to express our concern regarding adolescents age 13 to 17 that are living in the Mansfield Area. There is a growing need for the established structure and guidance of this age group throughout Pennsylvania. This is reflected in the current literature and statistics that exist for the state of Pennsylvania. According to the Pennsylvania Youth Survey conducted in 2005, the average first use of alcohol is age 14.5, and 4.5 percent of students in eighth grade reported being drunk or high at school. Out of the twelfth graders that binge drink, nearly 40 percent have done so four or more times in a two week period. Out of the tenth graders polled, eight percent reported being a member of a gang. These same eighth graders reported being threatened by a weapon. This is only a small sample of the staggering statistics which exist concerning the delinquency of adolescents in Pennsylvania. Even more appalling is the fact that these youths are at the highest risk of being a victim of violence between the time frame of 2:00-6:00 P.M. (http://www.safeyouth.org) Due to these facts, it is apparent that a structured setting needs to be established in which juveniles can go to remain safe during these hours and receive the guidance that they need.

Starting a program in the Mansfield area would be a beneficial step in attaining this goal. As Mansfield University social work students we are greatly concerned with producing a level of guidance that an area youth center could bring, therefore, we have decided to take steps to initiate an after school program. Under the guidance of Dr. John Mansfield, we have developed a working plan for a program to be implemented at the old armory building in Mansfield Borough. This plan was developed as a community project for the social work class 3351-Social Work Practice with Communities and Organizations.

The intent of our program is to provide a structured setting in which juveniles aged 13-17 can attend after school. This shall provide supervised activities and guidance, as well as a fostering of social interaction. The aim of this program is to provide a resource that can be used, as well as a tool to alleviate a portion of the deviant behavior that is occurring at the present time, and that which could occur in the future.

The program will be open from 3:00-6:00 P.M. During this time structured activities will occur. Each activity will have a designated amount of openings available for participation. These activities shall be further divided into the three different age groups. The afternoon will be divided into six 30 minute time segments. After 30 minutes the groups will rotate to the next activity according to a prearranged schedule. Children will be permitted to take time out of these segments for refreshments and other necessary needs. Services such as mentoring, tutoring, social work support and homework shall be viewed as different activities that will not follow this schedule. The schedule shall also be modified on afternoons which include guest speakers or scheduled sports tournaments.

The program will provide tutoring and intensive mentoring in basic skills such as math, reading, and science. Guest speakers will be scheduled once every month (topics to include such areas as drug and alcohol abuse prevention, fire safety, and other important issues). The after school program will also provide physical activities such as basketball, pool, soccer, ect. (All these activities will be fostering sportsmanship), teams will also be developed to have mini tournaments. The activities at the after school program will be board games and art based activities. The after school program will use computer activities aimed at building competent computer skills applications. There will also be computers available for completion of homework. The social work staff will offer support and guidance to the adolescents. The program will also have volunteer staff consisting of at least one individual to help supervise each age group (13), (14-15), and (16-17), this will be based on the amount of adolescents participating and can be adjusted to follow federal mandated child/staff ratios. The after school program also plans on having refreshments available for purchase.

The implementation of this program is at a standstill at this point since the old armory building is currently being purchased by the Borough of Mansfield. A formal proposal of this program was sent to Mr. Ed Grala, the Mansfield Borough manager. At this time he is concerned about the local area youth and feels that a program such as this could be beneficial to the area. As social work students we have carried the planning as far as we are able to at this point. We are awaiting the final word that this beneficial plan will be permitted to begin. When this occurs, we ask that every concerned member of the community step forward to support this plan to help broaden the horizon of the local area youth.

Sincerely,

Lori Leahy, Kathleen Vanderpool, Lynn Luczak, Kara Ray

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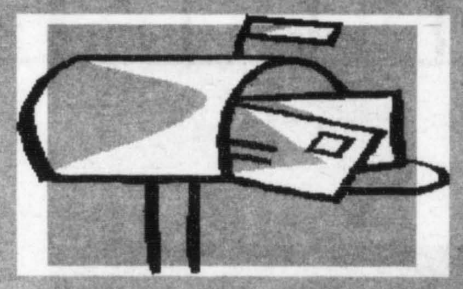

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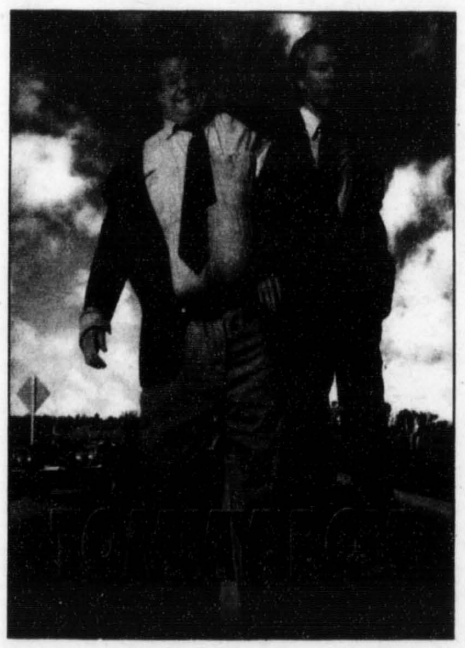
How well do you know "Tommy Boy"?

Answer the questions below to find out



1. What are the first words spoken in Tommy Boy?
a. I'll take the shrimp cocktail
b. There's no way that coat will fit.
c. Tommy, you're going to be late for school.
d. Ohio's a great place to live

2. When Richard and Tommy are on the plane, what is the time limit for the bathroom?
a. Five minutes
b. 10 minutes
c. 15 minutes
d. Half an hour

3. Where is the Zalinsky Factory located?
a. Cincinnati
b. Sandusky
c. Chicago
d. Atlanta

4. "Yes, sounds good, by the way, did you eat a lot of _____ _____ when you were a kid?"
a. Paint chips
b. Old bread
c. Bad lunch meat
d. Illegal drugs

5. "Did you live under_____ & _____ as a kid?"
a. Garbage cans & trash
b. Power lines & hydro lines
c. Space center & nuclear plant
d. Textile factory & plastic plant

6. Which of the following never happened to Richard's car?
a. Wheel falls off
b. Hood falls off
c. Door falls off
d. Rear view mirror falls off

7. What is the name of the man who says Tommy is one apple that fell right off the tree?
a. R.T.
b. B.J.
c. C.J.
d. R.B.

8. Who does Tommy say the skinny dipper must be dating?
a. The Mets
b. The Bears
c. The Yankees
d. The Patriots

9. What name did Tommy call John Hancock?
a. Henry Hancock
b. Jimmy Hancock
c. Artie Hancock
d. Herbie Hancock

10. What are the last words of "Tommy Boy"?
a. Hope that deer is all right.
b. Sorry about your car, Richard.
c. Gee, I'm hungry.
d. That's gonna leave a mark.

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Big Fred's five most memorable moments at Mansfield University: There were plenty of highs and lows

BY CARL FREDERICK

Flashlight Co-Sports Edtior

Believe it or not Big Fred will be leaving us in a few weeks. I know it's sad but all good things must come to an end.

In my four years here there have been plenty of highs and lows for both myself and Mansfiled athletics. From finally stepping out on the football field, to the cancellation of the program, it certainly has been a rollercoaster ride. There will be a lot of things I will miss and a lot that I wont.

After I sat down and thought about it for awhile, I came up with my five most memorable moments.

5) Football Mansfield vs. Cheyney-October 9, 2004.

Yes I realize that this might of been the two worst teams in division two football playing, but the game was an entertaining one. The Mountaineers would go on to win the turnover infested game 26-19. Running back Paul Garofalo had a career high in both carries (44) and yards (268). It was a tremendous individual effort. It wasn't the game that was so special, but it was the first game of any kind that I ever broadcasted.

Looking back on it, I really didn't do a great job as the color commentator that day, but it was the first time I was doing something that I enjoyed. Regardless of the situation I loved being behind the microphone for Mansfield athletics.

4) Baseball: Mansfield vs. Lock Haven-March 31, 2005

This doubleheader had just about everything, from a grand slam to a team blowing a seven run lead. This game pretty much had it all.

I was on the call with Josh Warner and by the time we were done with both games we were exhausted. It was at this point where I realized that broadcasting can be long and strenous work.

3) Football: Cheyney vs. Mansfield-October 8, 2005

Homecoming two years ago, would be the only win on the season for the Mountaineers. The Mountaineers thrashed the Wolves 38-17.

I was on the sidelines working as the equipment manager, and it was a blast to be on the winning side. It was awesome to see all the players getting along not caring about anything except for the victory.

It made it even nicer considering that team had worked so hard and had to overcome a lot that year. We really thought we were on to something special.

The only thing that I could say negative about this game, was that it was the last victory for the Mansfield Mountaineer football program.

2) Mens Basketball: Millersville vs. Mansfield-January 18, 2006

If you were a student at Mansfield University and you didn't see this game you missed out. This was one of the wildest games I have ever been a part of.

The semester had just started back up and the Mountaineers had been struggling to that point. Millersville came to decker gymnasium as one of the pre-season conference favorites.

Mansfield would get contributions from nearly everyone in uniform. David Hoopes had a team high 21 points, but none were bigger than the three he hit with just seconds to go. This would win the game and it helped the Mountaineers go back to the playoffs once again.

I was on play-by-play for this game and needless to say when Hoopes hit that three, Dan Ryan and I nearly jumped out of gym. If you want to know what it was like you still can listen to it at www.msasportsnetwork.com.

This was the first time that I felt that I had actually done a nice job at calling the game. Like a lot of professions you are not going to be successful without confidence. Confidence is a key factor in almost anything.

1) Football; Millersville vs. Mansfield-November 11, 2006

Regardless of the score of that game or how bad our season had gone, this is one that will stand out in my mind forever. This was the last game in Mansfield football history.

I still remember walking out of the locker room, with all the players, thinking this just doesn't seem right. Not only did we finish the season a disappointing 0-10, but the University decided to discontinue the entire program.

Since this is my last issue I keep this positive.

Before the season staretd I had decided to try and walk-on to the football team. In what was one of the greatest experiences in my life, I was able to survive pre-season camp and be a part of the team.

Until that point I had never played in a college game, so I didnt know what to expect. The coaches put me on kickoff return and let me just say that being on the field almost made me forget about all of the crap that was happening.

When I was introduced as one of the 13 seniors, I never had more of an adrenaline rush than at that point in my life. It was one of the greatest feelings I have ever experienced and I would like to thank everyone who gave me the chance to do it.

Toby's Two Cents: My five most memorable Mountaineer moments, whether happy, sad, or just plain memorable

By TOBY MOTYKA

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

5) Mansfield men's basketball @ Binghamton, 2005: The final score of the game wasn't close, as Binghamton put away Mansfield fairly easily. But this one wasn't about the final score, but more so the experience. In coach Rich Miller's first game at the helm of the Mountaineer men's basketball team, he and his players got to show what they had in front of a sold out crowd of over 4,000 screaming fans at a state of the art facility in upstate New York. I had the opportunity to call the game courtside with Darrin Denmon. Being down there in such a great atmosphere was a fantastic experience for the two of us, as I'm sure it was for the players and coaches of the Mountaineers as well.

4) Mansfield football @ West Virginia Weslyan, 2005: This was the first game of the 2005 season for the Mountaineers and my first road trip as WNTE sports director. The game was a high scoring affair with over 70 combined points being scored. It wasn't the game itself that I will remember, but just one play. John Hengehold was making his first career appearance behind center for the Mountaineers. He played well throughout, but it wasn't one of his passes that I will remember most. Late in the game with the Mountaineers trailing, Hengehold looked as if he faked a handoff to Poohbear and was leveled by a blitzing linebacker. After making the call over the radio that he had been sacked, Poohbear rushed from the backfield with ball, sprinting 60 yards into the redzone leading to a tying touchdown. Hengehold was as good at faking the run or pass as any quarterback I saw that year, and led the Mountaineers to many close battles throughout the season. This play was the start of something special on that football team, but unfortunately it only lasted for one season.

3) Mansfield Women's Basketball @ Cheyney, 2006: This was a history making win for the program. Their victory over the Cheyney Wolves on the road to close out the season sent them to the playoffs for the first time ever. Led by Allison Tagliaferri and Jessica Uhrich, two of the program's all time greats, the Mountaineers surprised everyone in the PSAC. The playoff clinching win was topped only by the dancing that went on after the men's game. The girls, including coach Hermansen and coach Bruce, all went out to mid-court to celebrate the achievement by dancing with all of the Cheyney fans in the building. A truly great moment during a truly great season.

2) Mansfield Men's Basketball vs. Shippensburg, 2006 playoffs: This was an incredible weekend for me as a broadcaster. The Mountaineers traveled to West Chester to take part in the PSAC tournament. The opponent was nationally ranked Shippensburg and for one half it appeared as though Mansfield was on their way to the finals. In the second half Shippensburg took over and pulled away towards the end of the game. After signing off for the final time that season, I went downstairs to congratulate the team. What I saw was an emotional scene, with parents embracing the young players, most of whom were in tears. After all of the winning that had gone on, it was a chance for me to see the difficult side of sports. These players, who can seem like superheroes on the court at times, are all just as human as the rest of us.

1) Mansfield football vs. Millersville, 2007: This was more than just a game. It turned out to be the final game that the Mountaineers would play at Karl Van Norman field. Just days after the game ended, the program was cut due to budgetary concerns. While calling this game from the press box, it was great to see the emotion showed by the players, but was even better to see the support offered by the fans. The Mountaineers won just two games over their final three seasons, but that didn't keep the bleachers from filling with rain-soaked fans holding signs begging for the school to keep the program. As the players walked off the field after their 41-0 loss, you could feel the disappointment. This was more than just another loss. This was the last game any of them would play for the black and red. While some players went on to play with other college teams, they will always be Mansfield Mountaineers.

On the Sidelines with Mike Gray: Mansfield shot putter, triple jumper and school record holder in the discus

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight Copy Editor

Michael Gray recently had an impressive finish at the Big Red Invitational at Cornell University. Gray threw the discus 160..9 feet, beating his best throw by five feet. He was able to talk about what interested him in the field, rather than the track.

Danelle Miller: What year are you and what is your major?
Michael Gray: I am a freshman and I am a biology major.

DM: Why did you choose the major you are in?
MG: Well I was really good in the sciences in high school and I took two wildlife courses in high school, so it fit really well.

DM: Where is your hometown?
MG: I'm from Elmira, NY.

DM: Why did you decide to attend Mansfield University?
MG: I decided to come here because it is very close to home while still being able to pretty much be on my own, and I saw a growing opportunity in track and field here.

DM: When did you begin participating in track and field?
MG: I started track and field when I was in 8th grade.

DM: What interested you in the shot put and the discus?
MG: That's a pretty funny story actually, I was really lazy when I was young, so when I saw the kids that were throwing didn't have to run as much as the other kids. I decided to go with them.

DM: What is your motivation during the season?
MG: My motivation is myself. I've always pushed myself to succeed at what I do and I am not a big fan of failure, so I make sure I keep myself focused.

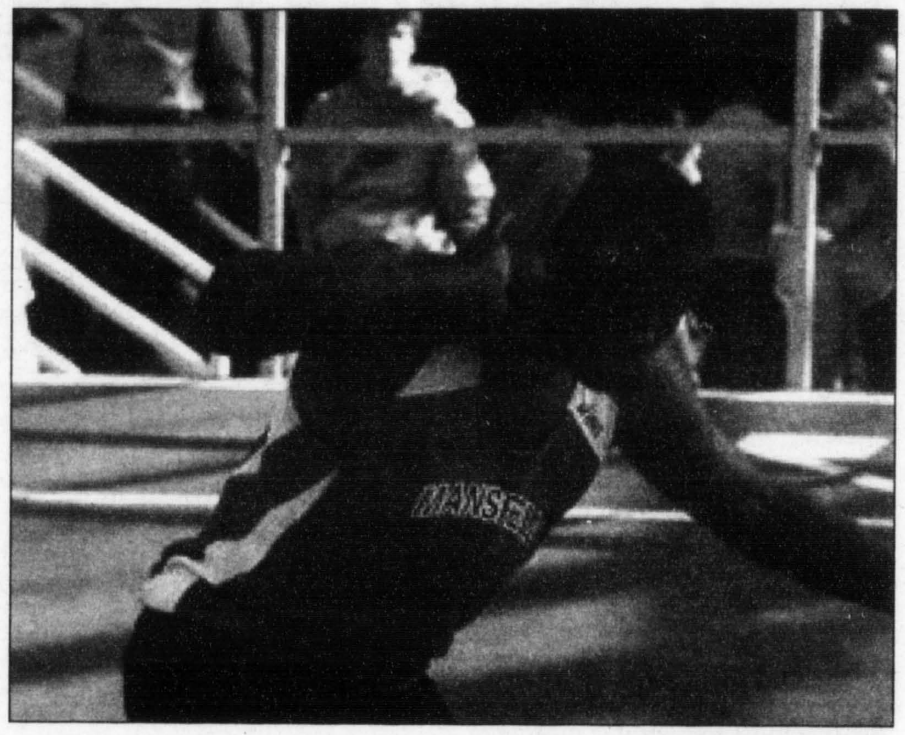
DM: How do you prepare for a meet?
MG: More mental things than anything, just focusing and getting myself amped up to believe I can win all the time.

DM: How do you think your performance will be next semester?
MG: I am not really sure. If my level of training shows through my performance, I should throw rather well.

DM: What are some awards you have won for track and field?
MG: Well in high school, I won a lot of invitational MVP's and I won team MVP my junior and senior year. I also not only hold the discus record here, but in my high school also. In my eyes my most prestigious award is my third place medal from the New York State Meet.

DM: What have you learned from track and field that you will take with you into the future?
MG: Dedication and the will to succeed will carry you to your goals.

DM: What is your favorite sport besides track and field and why?
MG: Basketball because of the whole team aspect. Track is very individual, but when you play basketball, it is always about a team effort. I also like it because the determination and hard work it takes to be good at it.



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Freshman Mike Gray has turned some heads with his throwing and jumping. He qualified for three events for the PSAC Championships this coming weekend at Shippensburg.

Gray, Sanford shine for Mansfield at Big Red Invitational: Gray shatters personal best in the discus by five feet

By CARL FREDERICK
Flashlight Co-Sports Editor

The Mansfield Mountaineers had one final tuneup before they head off to Shippensburg for the PSAC Championships this Saturday.

Mansfield competed at Cornell University against several division one opponents this past Sunday.

The Mountaineers would once again get a first place finish from Dave Sanford in the 800. Sanford ran a time of 1:56.38, which was a minute more than the next runner.

Mike Gray once again was impressive with two second place finishes in the shot put (49 feet) and the discus (160 feet 9 inches). Gray's throw in the discus beat his previous mark by over five feet. That throw is at the top of the PSAC going into the Championship and is also a school record. He will be the number one seed heading into the meet.

Chris Green also had a big afternoon taking second in the long jump with a personal best of 21 feet 6 inches. Greene wasn't done there taking fourth in the triple jump with a mark of 42 feet even.

John Mark Stoltz notched an eight place finish in the 1600 meter run with a time of 4:29.56.

Jameson Keeler just missed out in placing in the javelin with a throw of 147 feet 10 inches.

The 4x400 meter relay team notched a third place finish (3:36.58). The team consisted of Blake Smith, Dave Sanford, John-Mark Stoltz and Bryan Falcone.

The women also had several participants at the Big Red Invitational.

Senior Nicole Dann prepared for the championship meet next week, by placing third in the 800 meter run. She was able to record a time of 2:16.36, which is her best time to date. She will head into the PSAC's as the number two seed in that and the 1500 meter run.

Erica Ferguson was able to continue her season with a fourth place finish in the 400. Her time of 1:00.73 was good enough to qualify for the PSAC. Marisa Fronczkiewicz finished right behind in fifth place with a time of 1:01.23. Fronczkiewicz also qualified for the PSAC's in the 200 (26.54).

Katrina Brumfield had a busy afternoon taking fourth in the high jump (5'3) and eight in the 200 meter dash (26.35).

Clarissa Correll also had a big day, by qualifing for the PSAC's in the 1500 meter run. Her time of 4:55.53 was good enough for fifth place this Sunday.

Rachel Hall continued her stellar senior season with a fifth place showing in the 3000 meter (11:13.49). Chrisitna Cain placed eight in the event with a time of 11:30.37.

Jess Wagner ran her best time in the 1500 meter run with a time of 5:05.26.

PSAC Qualifiers

Women

Amanda Fedish
100, 200

Katrina Brumfield
200, High Jump

Marisa Fronczkiewicz
200, 400

Erica Ferguson
400

Nicole Dann
800, 1500

Clarissa Correll
1500

Rachell Hall
3000 Steeplechase

Jess Lown
100 High Hurdles

4x400 Meter Relay Team

Men

Dave Sanford
800

Mike Gray
Shot Put, Discus, Triple Jump

Chris Greene
Long Jump, Triple Jump

Another dissapointing season ends for Mansfield softball

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Sports Writer

The weather has made the last week of the season a long one for the Mountaineers. The Mountaineers played eight games in five days to end the season. The week started on a strong note in game one of a double header against Shippensburg.

The Mountaineers started the scoring in the bottom of the first. Kristina Poore started things off with a single, and Shelly Forsburg followed with her second home run of the year to give the Mountaineers the early 2-0 lead. Mansfield would stay on the attack; Whitney Brown led off the second inning with a double and moved to third on a bunt by Erin Hackett. Katie McConville drove in Brown to give the Mountaineers a 3-0 lead. Shippensburg got on the board with a run in the top of the third, but Mansfield came right back with a run of their own in the bottom half of the inning. Forsburg again got things started, reaching first base on a hit by pitch. Jen Stein followed with a double that scored Forsburg and once again increased the lead to three.

Shippensburg would fight back with two runs in the top of the sixth to cut the lead to 4-3. In the seventh, Forsburg allowed a lead off single, but then slammed the door to preserve the 4-3 win. Forsburg was once again solid on the mound, scattering 11 hits in the complete game win.

Mansfield lost game two 11-1. Shana Markwis led off the game for the Mountaineers with a home run to right center, but that would all the runs Mansfield would get, as they were held to two hits the rest of the game.

Forsburg and Amanda Lewis picked up the two hits. With the split, Mansfield moves to 7-26 overall and 4-13 in the PSAC east.

Next up for the Mountaineers was Bloomsburg. Game one started out as a pitchers dual, but Huskies offense got going in the fifth. The score was 1-0 Bloomsburg going into the fifth, but Bloomsburg broke the game open with six runs in the fifth and three more in the sixth for the 10-0 win.

The Mountaineers were held to three hits in the game. Two coming off the bat of leadoff hitter Shana Markwis and the other a single by Jess Christ.

The offensive struggles would continue for the Mountaineers as they were shutout again in game two. The Mountaineers were only able to pick up two hits in the game. A two out double by Whitney Brown in the second inning and a single by Christ in the seventh.

After the first two innings, Shelly Forsburg shut down the Huskies. She allowed a leadoff homer in the first inning and two more scored in the second inning. Forsburg held the Huskies to just five hits in the game, while striking out three.

The last double header of the year was against PSAC east leading Kutztown. The Mountaineers got down early, as they trailed 3-0 nothing after the first inning. Kutztown would score two more in the top of the third, but Mansfield responded with a run of their own in the bottom half of the inning. Amanda Lewis led off the inning with a walk and moved to second on a single by Brittany Walker. Shana Markwis followed with a single to score Lewis and get Mansfield on the board.

Kutztwon would add two more in the fifth, but Mansfield battled back for a run in the bottom of the fifth. Lewis led off with another walk, and scored on a triple by Markwis. That was all the scoring the Mountaineers would get as they lost 8-2. Markwis had both the RBI's for Mansfield and Lewis scored both of the runs.

Mansfield lost game two 10-2. Kristina Poore and Katie McConville led the Mountaineers offensively. Poore had three hits while McConville had two hits and two RBI's.

Throughout the season the Mountaineers made improvements, especially on defense. "Throughout the year, our defense improved the most. Early in the year we had games with multiple errors, as well as mental errors. At the end of the year we communicated better on defense and didn't have as many mental errors," head coach Edith Gallagher said.

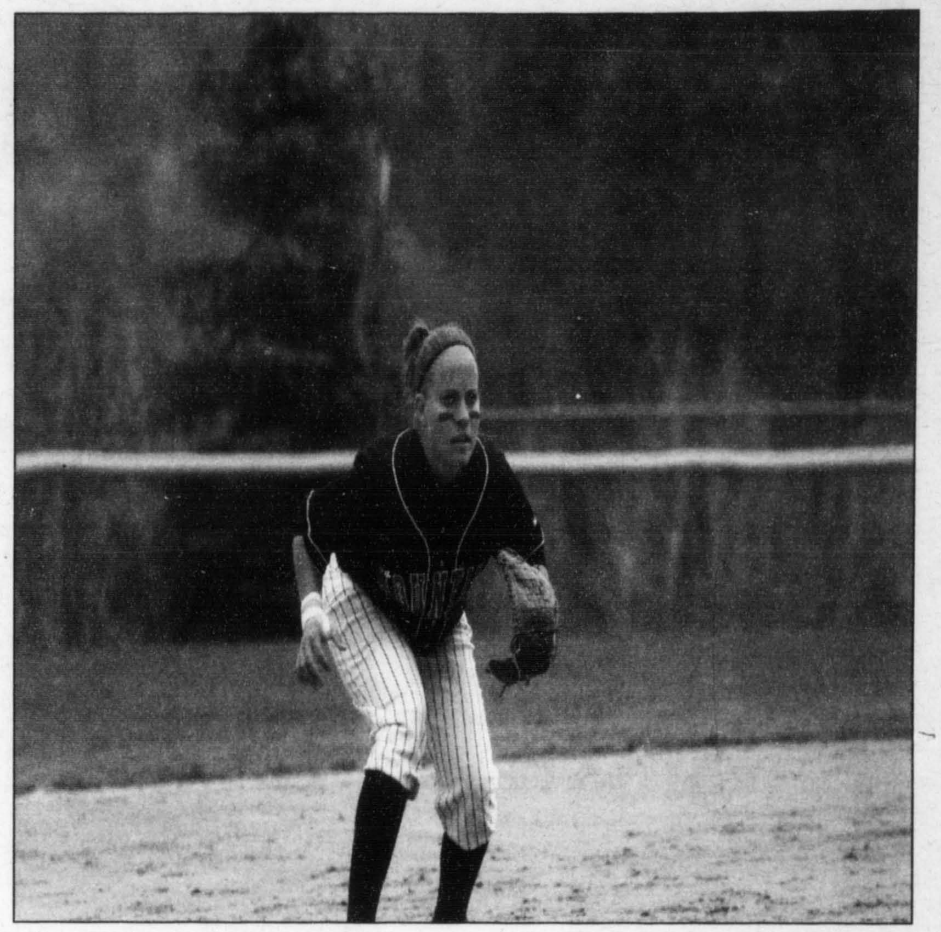
Mansfield finished the season with an overall record of 7-30, and 4-18 in the PSAC east. Jess Christ led the team in batting with a .336 average.

Christ also led the team in doubles with 11, and RBI's with 11 and was second in hits and runs scored. Shana Markwis was second on the team with a .328 average. Markwis led the team in runs, hits, triples and tied for the team lead in homeruns with two.

"Shana and Jess both had very good years. They each adjusted well to new positions and didn't see many good pitches to hit during the season, despite that, they had an outstanding year," coach Gallagher said.

Whitney Brown was second on the team in doubles while Katie McConville was second on the team with nine RBI's.

Shelly Forsburg was the ace of the pitching staff with all seven of the teams wins. She had a 3.49 ERA and finished with 82 strikeouts.



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Third baseman Brittany Walker was one of the senior leaders of this year's Mansfield softball team. Though she struggled at the plate this season, her steady presence at the hot corner and her influence in the dugout with this young team both proved indispensible.

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Mountaineers end season with four consecutive losses to Kutztown

Fifth place finish in PSAC East means no playoffs for first time since '04

By TOBY MOTYKA
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

Things didn't turn out as planned this season for the Mansfield Mountaineer baseball team.

The Mountaineers dropped their final four games of the season to the conference leading and nationally ranked Kutztown Golden Bears on Saturday, April 28 and Sunday, April 29. The losses dropped the Mountaineers out of the playoffs for the first time since 2003, and put their overall record below .500 (16-22) for the first time since 1989.

Only the top three teams in each division of the PSAC make the playoffs. Mansfield's 7-13 conference mark placed them fifth, two games behind the third place East Stroudsburg Warriors.

The first game of the weekend was Mansfield's best chance at coming away with a victory, though it didn't appear to be the case for much of the contest. Mansfield trailed 4-0 heading into the seventh and final inning when they put together what was almost a season saving rally. Chris Miller began the inning with a double. He was followed by four consecutive singles by Lance Miller, Ryan Wyland, Ryan Giblin and Dave Meldrum. Scott Erickson knocked in the game tying run with an RBI single of his own.

It appeared Mansfield scored the winning run later in the inning when Meldrum beat a throw to the plate. He was called out after attempting to slide around the catcher and missing home plate, being tagged out while trying to scramble back to score the go-ahead run.

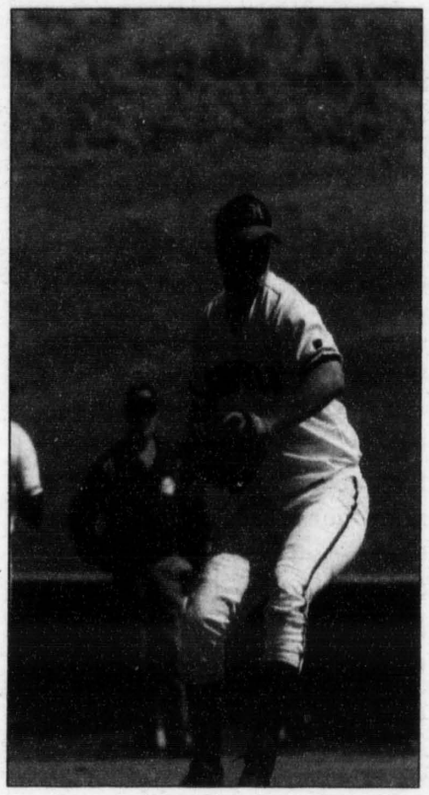
The game remained locked at four until the tenth inning, when Kutztown knocked home the winning fifth run, giving them a 5-4 win in the ten inning marathon. Ryan Wyland pitched the entire game for the Mountaineers, giving up five runs on eleven hits. He carried a no-hitter into the fifth inning.

Erickson got the call in game two for the Mountaineers, and he pitched well enough to stop the bleeding. Unfortunately for Mansfield, the offense didn't support him. Erickson went the distance giving up just two runs, but the offense mustered only four hits in the 2-0 loss.

With their playoff hopes fading, the Mountaineers returned home to Shaute Field needing a sweep and some additional help to slide into the postseason. It looked good early on as Mansfield jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the first inning of game one. Senior Dan Yoder held the fort early on in his final start for Mansfield, shutting down the Golden Bears through the first two innings. He ran into trouble in the third and Steve Craig capitalized, connecting for a game-tying grand slam. Kutztown added another run in the frame giving them a 5-4 lead.

There were two more ties in the game at 5-5 and 6-6 until the Golden Bears scored three runs in the top of the fifth, making the score 9-6. Mansfield added two runs in the bottom of the sixth but could not pull any closer, losing 9-8 and ending their playoff hopes.

Despite the demoralizing loss, the Mountaineers still had to go out and play one more game. The boys fell behind 5-0 but were able to break up the shutout in the bottom of the seventh when Chris Miller led of the inning with a solo homerun. Lance Miller added an RBI single later in the inning and Mansfield threatened to work their second seventh inning comeback in as many days when they put two more runners on with nobody out. But this time it was not to be, as Kutztown retired the rest of the team without incident, sending Mansfield to their fourth straight loss by a final of 5-2.



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Freshman Zach Ullrich pitched well in relief during his first season as a Mountaineer, going 1-1 in nine appearances. He will play a key role next year for Mansfield.

Coming up in Mountie Sports

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